

ODAWA TRAILS



JUNE 2010

WAABGONII GIZIS (BLOSSOM MOON)

Selected by their peers, seven LTBB Governmental Employees received Circle of Excellence honors on April 26, 2010 at the LTBB Government Employee Appreciation Luncheon held at the Emmet County Fairgrounds Building in Petoskey, MI.

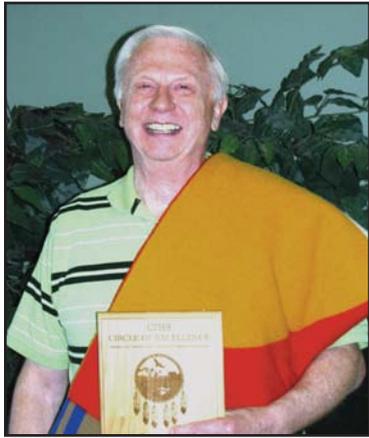
The Circle of Excellence program provides the LTBB Governmental Team a chance to recognize seven team members for their hard work, dedication, teamwork, dependability and commitment to customer service.

The 2010 Circle of Excellence group includes Staff Accountant Art Gerhardt, Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP) Curriculum Specialist Amber Holt, Conservation Officer Roger Willis, Geographic Information System (GIS) Coordinator Jim Keiser, Facilities Worker Andrew Stich, Law Enforcement Officer Jeff Livingston and Benefits Coordinator Stephanie Howell.

Here's a closer look at the 2010 honorees:

Staff Accountant Art Gerhardt

Art Gerhardt started as a Staff Accountant in 2006 after retiring from Northern Michigan Regional Hospital (NMRH) in Petoskey, MI, where he worked for approximately 30 years.



Gerhardt cut back to working three days a week for LTBB before retiring full-time on May 20, 2010. Prior to working at NMRH, he worked for a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) firm in Cadillac, MI, and spent two years in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam era after being drafted.

"I like to reconcile numbers," Gerhardt said. "It is fun and challenging. It is fun to find the problem and reconcile it. I did some auditing prior to working at the hospital, and I really enjoyed it."

"I appreciate the great honor. It's a nice way to end things here."

Gerhardt looks forward to going on a two-week Alaskan cruise and train ride with his wife, Rosann, in July 2010. He also plans to spend his retirement doing household chores, cross country skiing, golfing and bike

riding. He may try to ride the bike trail from Charlevoix, MI, to Harbor Springs, MI.

WOCTEP Curriculum Specialist on May 19, 2008 after LTBB received a five-year, \$2.1 million grant by the U.S. Department of Education's Native American Career and Technical Education Program.

addition to assisting students with scheduling their classes, Holt helps them receive need-based financial assistance and mileage stipend and gives presentations about WOCTEP to potential students in the area high

schools.

Willis was unable to attend the LTBB Government Employee Appreciation Luncheon because he was out of town all of that week attending a Joel Harden Tracker Training on the White Earth Reservation in Minnesota. Natural Resource Department Administrative Assistant Debra Smithkey-Browne accepted his plaque and Pendleton blanket on his behalf.

"I was extremely honored when I found out," Willis said. "It was totally unexpected. I didn't find out until my cell phone started blowing up at the training. I thought for sure the phone calls were regarding another fish and game issue that needed attention, but I was pleasantly surprised. You are only as good as the people you are surrounded by (referring to his support structure over at the Nature Resource Department where he works on a daily basis).

"There are two or three people in every governmental department who deserve this award. I was lucky someone picked me for it."

The main part of his job is patrolling the Great Lakes, enforcing Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority's (CORA) Commercial, Subsistence and Recreational fishing regulations along with the 2007 Inland Hunting and Fishing regulations.

His job also entails work with the State of Michigan conservation



riding. He may try to ride the bike trail from Charlevoix, MI, to Harbor Springs, MI.

In 2008 and 2009, he played on the Monday Night LTBB DUFFERS Golf League, a league in which each two-person team features at least one LTBB Employee or LTBB Tribal Citizen. He and partner, Patrick V. Naganashe, finished second in the league in 2008.

"I'm ready to retire, but it was an enjoyable experience working at LTBB," Gerhardt said. "I liked the camaraderie between the employees and the departments. The Odawa culture is very prevalent here, and that is cool."

Gerhardt, originally from Reed City, MI, graduated from Reed City High School and Ferris State University. His wife, Rosann, is a Library Technician at Sheridan Elementary School in Petoskey. He and his wife have three sons, Scott, 32, Greg, 30, and Kevin, 25. Scott works as a CPA in Grand Rapids, MI, Greg works for Border Patrol in Texas, and Kevin is an auto mechanic in Grand Rapids. Scott has a wife, Amanda, and they have two children, Zachary, 4, and Ethan, 1. He and his wife might eventually move to Grand Rapids to be near two of their sons.

WOCTEP Curriculum Specialist Amber Holt

Amber Holt started as a

Through WOCTEP, LTBB partners with North Central Michigan College to offer certificate programs in Textiles, Graphic Arts, New Media, Entrepreneurship Essentials, Medical Assistant, Phlebotomy and Certified Nurse Aide. Holt is the Curriculum Specialist for the Business/Technology programs.

"It's a fun job because no two days are the same," Holt said. "I am part of a very dedicated staff. We all get along well, and we all work toward the same common goal. I like the level of professionalism."

"This program is making a strong



impact on the community."

Holt currently works with approximately 40 students while the WOCTEP program had 91 students enrolled in winter semester classes. In

addition to assisting students with scheduling their classes, Holt helps them receive need-based financial assistance and mileage stipend and gives presentations about WOCTEP to potential students in the area high

schools.

"I like to interact with other people and show them how our programs are beneficial," Holt said. "I work with a wide range of people. Everyone has something different they want to accomplish, and we're here to help them reach their goals. I try to remember everyone's name and remember what they are trying to accomplish."

"I'm excited to see students graduate with certificates. It's very thrilling. It's a win for us and them."

Fellow WOCTEP Curriculum Specialist Heidi Bosma said Holt is always willing to help others no matter how busy she is.

"She always goes the extra mile to help others," Bosma said. "She is always willing to stand up for what she believes in no matter what. Amber shows leadership."

Holt earned a Bachelor's degree in Health Communication from Grand Valley State University and a Master's degree in Health Communications from Michigan State University after graduating from Pellston High School in Pellston, MI. She has a husband, Patrick, and a 9-month-old son, James.

Conservation Officer Roger Willis

LTBB Tribal Citizen Roger Willis started as a Conservation Officer on January 3, 2001.



officers, other tribal conservation officers within Michigan and the Great Lakes region, the Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Forest Service and the United States Coast Guard.

He and his fellow Conservation Officers teach Hunter's Safety, International Bow Hunter Education Program (IBEP) and Snowmobile Safety classes. He is the IBEP Coordinator for Emmet and Charlevoix counties and is trained to teach Boat Safety.

"I love the outdoors," said Willis, who grew up in the woods, hunting and fishing with his father, the late "Excellence" continued on page 14.

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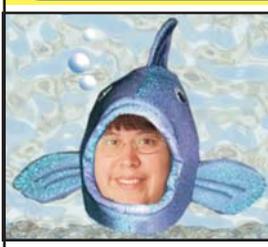
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Being Odawa is all about Freedom

The freedom to be a part of a people, who with integrity and pride, still have and speak our language. The freedom in common with all other Odawak the customs, culture and spirituality of our ancestors. The freedom we have today we will bring to the future through unity, education, justice, communication and planning. We will reach out to the next seven generations by holding to cultural values of Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility and Truth. We will utilize our tribal assets to provide the necessary tools to become successful, hard-working community members who proudly represent our culture. With these values we will move the tribe forward.

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of the LTBB Mission Statement

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The Communications Department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From Our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature or expressing an opinion due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We reserve the right to edit any material submitted for space and content.

The deadline for the July issue of *Odawa Trails* is May 31, 2010.

You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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Departments & Programs

MEET THE NEW EMPLOYEES SERVING OUR TRIBAL COMMUNITY



Ronda Ellis

LTBB Tribal Citizen Ronda Ellis started as the SPRING Clerical Assistant in the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department on April 12, 2010.

Prior to accepting her current position, Ellis worked at Odawa Casino Resort (OCR) in Petoskey, MI, for nine years, most recently in the Call Center which is a part of the Marketing Department. She also worked for OCR as a Cage Cashier, in Housekeeping at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey and as a Soft Count Team Member.

"I saw this position as an oppor-

tunity to help the tribal community more than I had in my previous positions at the casino," Ellis said. "It was also an opportunity to learn something new."

Ellis grew up in Brutus, MI, and graduated from Pellston High School in Pellston, MI. She earned a Clerical certificate from Bay Mills Community College and a Hotel Management certificate from Ferris State University through the WOBTT Program.

Her parents are Nancy and the late Sam Shananaquet, and she is the youngest of their 10 children.

Ellis has a husband, Charles, and they have two children, Ashley, 6, and Nicholas, 3.

In her spare time, she enjoys being with her family and doing crafts and craft shows with her sisters.

Wendy Congdon

Wendy Congdon started as the Pre-Press Graphic Specialist in the Communications Department on April 26, 2010 after working in the department as a temporary worker for the previous two months.

"I enjoy the position tremendously," Congdon said. "I get to tap into my creativity every single day."

She is currently attending North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey and is enrolled in both the Graphic Arts and the New Media certificate programs through the Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP). She hopes to complete the New Media certificate program by December 2010 and to complete the Graphic Arts certificate program by May 2011.

Congdon, an East Jordan, MI, resident, has owned Truly Materialis-



tic, a quilt company which sells quilt patterns, since 2000. She has worked as a college tutor for NCMC since summer 2009 and teaches quilt classes.

Her mother is Mary Gahn, and she has a nephew, Anthony, 23.

In her free time, she enjoys quilting, editing video, graphics and baking.

Chrystal VanAlstine

Hello, my name is Chrystal VanAlstine, and I am the "new girl" in Contract Health, who refills your scripts, gets you reference numbers for your appointments and checks you in for Dental. I had been temping in this position and accepted the full-time position on April 26, 2010.

I am loving the busy, fast-paced atmosphere this position brings ... it is definitely a full-time job. I find the staff here to be extremely helpful and fun to work with. I feel like I am blending in well and catching on quickly.

I have had approximately seven years of office experience including, but not limited to: Bookkeeping, sec-

retarial and office manager. I haven't had any experience in medical billing other than my current position, but I am confident I am learning eagerly and progressing quickly.



Our family became tribal citizens in 2009. I'm sure you have seen my only brother, Joe VanAlstine, around as he is part of the Facilities crew. My mother is Melissa Moses aka: One of the Moses girls. Her mother is Rose Midwagon, and her father is Frank Moses, both have walked on and were from Burt Lake.

"New Employees" continued on page 22.

Housing Department

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY HELD AT WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT NORTH OF HARBOR SPRINGS, MI



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On April 27, 2010, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians hosted a groundbreaking ceremony on a new custom built home located at the Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Housing Development.

The three-bedroom, two-bath home will be the first to have an attached garage in the development located off Heynig Road in Harbor Springs, MI. Once built, it will be available for lease or purchase. If you or someone you know is interested in leasing or purchasing the home, please contact the Housing Depart-

ment at 231-242-1540.

LTBB Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara, Housing Director John Givens, Housing Commission Chairperson Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima, Housing Commissioner Patrick Wemigwase, Housing Commissioner Larry Stead and LTBB Tribal Citizen Tom Teuthorn were all present at the groundbreaking ceremony.

Kiogima offered a prayer, and Teuthorn performed a smudging ceremony.

Mike Lyons contributed to this article.

Pictured from left to right in the photo by Mike Lyons is Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima, Dexter McNamara, Tom Teuthorn, Patrick Wemigwase, Larry Stead and John Givens.

Legislative Corner

We would like to continue our discussion about questions we have received from tribal citizens regarding our tribal Constitution. This article addresses the role of the Tribal Court.

Tribal Court

Prior to the new Constitution adopted in February 2005, we did not have separation of powers nor checks and balances. We had a one-unit government, the Tribal Council, and the Tribal Court was under the Tribal Council. With the new constitution, the Judiciary is a separate branch of government.

The Judiciary is comprised of a lower court referred to as Tribal Court and a superior court referred to as the Appellate Court. The Tribal Court has a Chief Judge and an Associate Judge. The Appellate Court has three members. One of the members of the Appellate Court must be an attorney and one of the members must be an elder.

The Judiciary is independent from both the Executive and the Legislative. This allows for separation of powers. One of the ways the Judiciary is independent is that the rulings of the Appellate Court are final and binding. This means if an individual is dissatisfied by the Appellate Court ruling, they cannot appeal the decision to the Tribal Council or the Executive. Also, judges can only be

removed by the Judiciary itself; neither the Tribal Council nor the Chair can remove a judge during his or her term of office.

We also have checks to create a balance between the branches. The first check is the Tribal Chairman nominates the judges for both the Tribal Court and the Appellate Court. The terms of office for the Tribal Court Judges are four years, and the terms of office for the Appellate Court Justices are six years. The second check is Tribal Council must approve the nomination by a vote of six out of nine in support of the nomination. The nominations require a super majority opposed to a simple majority of five out of nine votes.

This is just a brief overview of the Tribal Court. You may find more information at the LTBB website, including court rules, court opinions and many other court related items.

If you have additional questions, please feel free to contract the Tribal Council office at 1-866-927-0077 or attend a Tribal Council meeting. The calendar of meetings is in the *Odawa Trails* newsletters as well as our website at <http://www.ltbbodawa-nnsn.gov>.

Miigwetch,

Submitted by Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader, and Donna L. Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney.

2010 HOME GROWN PROJECT



This is the fifth year for the Home Grown Project, and who knows what the season will bring?

For information about vegetable gathers, please call Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or Cathy Gibson at 231-242-1601.

If you would like to be kept informed via e-mail, send me a note at rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nnsn.gov.

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ATTENTION SKILLED LABORERS



EAGLE BCI CONSTRUCTION WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU. FOR INFORMATION ON WORK AT THE MURRAY ROAD HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, PLEASE CONTACT DANIEL ATSMA AT THE MAIN OFFICE AT 616-677-6025 OR BY FAX AT 616-677-6035



Youth Services

Elders Program

LTBB Youth Services Department Report

By Kristy Dayson, Youth Services Coordinator

Aanii! There were some changes in the Youth Services Department during the past few months. Joe Lucier accepted a new position with the Tribal Court as the Adult Drug Court Coordinator/Probation Officer. Joe has been missed by all the youth, but we all wish him well in his new job.

On March 1, 2010, I was hired as the Youth Services Coordinator. We have been working hard on providing awesome opportunities for our youth.

We are continuing with our youth groups twice a week. The Binoojinhak (8-12-year-olds) meet every Tuesday. Our Eshkiniigijik (13-18-year-olds) meet every Thursday. Both of our groups meet from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. We also have tutoring from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. on both Tuesday and Thursday. We have a certified teacher, Allie Simon, who facilitates our homework lab. Students from Petoskey Public Schools are able to take a bus from school directly to the White House. Students from Harbor Springs Public Schools take the school bus to the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, and are then picked up from there by a staff person and brought over to the White House for homework lab. If students are taking the bus over, they are expected to participate in homework lab. The Waganakising Eshkiniigijik UNITY Council (14-18) meets every Monday from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the White House.

February 2010 highlights

- Both youth groups started the process of regalia making during the week of February 1. We would like to send a Chi-Miigwech out to all of our volunteers who are helping with regalia making!

- We also took both youth groups to the Petoskey Cinema to see the Tooth Fairy on the 11th. All the youth enjoyed the movie. Youth also enjoyed a few games of bowling during the week of February 16th.

- Our family event included an Indian Taco dinner and teachings of the Medicine Wheel on the 23rd. All youth were able to make their own medicine wheel to take home to their families.

- Youth Council was busy planning fundraising and some community service projects. They also attended the Substance Abuse Free Environment (SAFE) Youth meeting. The Youth Council members were also able to attend the MSU Pow

Wow of Love in East Lansing, MI.

March 2010 highlights

- The Binoojinhak had a blast sledding and ice skating on March 2.

- On March 9, both youth groups attended the North Central Michigan College (NCMC) Indian Taco and Storytelling night. They had great food and great stories. Miigwech for the students at NCMC for putting on such a wonderful event.

- Both March 16 and 18 were spent playing games and doing some physical activities. The Binoojinhak really got into playing lacrosse and had some minor injuries, but all in all, they had fun.

- March 23 was a surprise trip to the Jungle for our Binoojinhak. We played mini golf, ate pizza and popcorn and enjoyed a pop, and then, played some of the games. All of the kids had a great time at this activity! Our Eshkiniigijik headed for the Anishinaabemowin-Teg conference in Sault Ste Marie, MI, on Thursday, March 25.

- On March 30, all youth group participants helped at the Indian Taco fundraiser dinner. We raised more than \$200. The money will be divided up between the two youth groups and will be used for a special trip over the summer. Miigwech goes out to Bev Wemigwase for making fry bread and to all the other volunteers who helped set up, cook and clean up for the event.

April 2010 activities

- April 6 and 8 - White House Night- Youth spent the evening at the White House. The youth enjoy having time to play on the Wii, Playstation and computers or just watch a movie!

- April 13 - The Binoojinhak went to the Gardening 101 class offered through the Horticultural and Small-Scale Agriculture (HSSA) group. After a presentation given by Larry Dyer, we played games outside such as Cartoon Tag and Duck Duck Goose. We had a great time and are looking forward to more gardening experiences in the future.

- April 15 - The Eshkiniigijik took a run at the waterfront.

- April 20 and 22 - Both youth groups took a trip to Shay Park after eating breakfast for dinner. The kids had a great time running around and playing on the tire swing.

- April 24 - Eshkiniigijik continued their work on making their regalia. They are coming along great, and we would like to thank all of the volunteers who have come forward to assist our young people in making their regalia. Chi-Miigwech goes to

Cathy Gibson, Regina Brubacker-Carver, Marian Sedlak, Theresa Keshick, Shanna Wemgiwase and Beth Kiogima.

- April 29 - Both youth groups were lucky to have Phil Harmon cook them dinner. We send a Chi-Miigwech to Phil for taking the time to cook for us! After dinner, the kids went to the governmental center to have an LTBB Field Day. We played games, including a 100-yard relay, gunny sack races, Frisbee and many more. Youth won prizes for each game they won. Every youth received glow in the dark bracelets for participating.

Youth Council

April was a busy month for the Waganakising Eshkiniigijik UNITY Council. The council concluded the LTBB Government Employee Pop Can Challenge. We would like to say Miigwech to all of the employees who donated cans to the council. We would like to congratulate the Tribal Court for winning the challenge by turning in more than 800 cans. As a reward for winning, Tribal Court had lasagna, garlic bread, salad and strawberry shortcake served to them. Youth Council also hosted a breakfast fundraiser which included pancakes (plain and blueberry), sausage, eggs, corned beef hash, oatmeal and applesauce. We would like to say miigwech to Renee Wasson Dillard for making the pancakes, the SPRING Grant staff for all of its help in the kitchen and all of the parents who came in to help! We also had an Indoor Garage Sale, which was the most successful event we have had. We would like to thank all of those who donated items to our sale and the SPRING Grant staff, Randy Seymour, Yvonne Walker-Keshick and Audrey Perry for helping with the sale. The Youth Council raised \$1,137.83 toward its goal of \$10,000 to attend the National UNITY Conference being held in San Diego, CA, during July 2010.

The Youth Services Department would also like to say Miigwech to the SPRING Grant staff Tosha Bennington, Yvonne Goudreau and Susan Pulaski for all of their help with our youth programs. We truly appreciate all of the assistance you give us with the youth.

June 2010

Third Annual Jiimaan Journey will be held on June 22 - 26. Please call Kristy Dayson at 231-838-8830 or e-mail at kdayson@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov if you have any questions or would like to attend the journey.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONE

Submitted by Marie "Tootsie" Miller, Elders Program Coordinator

Waganakising Odawak Statute 2008-003 is a tribal burial program for LTBB of Odawa Indians to provide financial assistance toward funeral, cremation and burial expenses following the death of a tribal citizen.

How to Plan a Funeral

Knowing how to plan a funeral is not something we generally tend to familiarize ourselves with. Yet, when a loved one passes on, we are thrown into having to make important decisions, including what to do for the funeral or memorial service.

1. Key Points to Planning a Funeral

They say funerals are for the living which, first of all, may seem like an odd statement. However, the truth is, even though a funeral honors the deceased, it is the living who will have to carry on. Those who are closest to the deceased will have to carry on without their loved one, and a funeral should bring them some hope and peace. If it reflects the life and love of the person who died, it will certainly be a meaningful ceremony.

As you think about preparing for a funeral, you may want to consider the following: Music, songs, eulogy, sermon, bible reading/traditional prayers, poetry, memory board/photo album of deceased, flowers, guest book and printed programs.

2. Keeping with the Wishes

Before passing on, many elderly have stressed their wishes for their burials and funerals. They might have stated they would like a certain song sung or a certain piece of music played. If you can keep in line with their wishes, this may help make the funeral more personal. For example, a person may say she would like the 23rd Psalm read at her funeral or Amazing Grace sung; bear these in mind when planning the service.

In life, the deceased may have expressed a memorial he or she wanted established in his or her name. If not, family members may choose a charity or memorial where monetary gifts can be sent in his or her memory. Providing information about this in the obituary and program will be helpful.

3. Consult Others on How to Plan a Funeral

A person should decide WHO he or she wants to plan his or her funeral or make arrangements long in advance. However, if you are voted as the one in the family to plan the service, know you can ask for advice. Remember, people are generally overwhelmed by a death and may not have the ability to think about the

task of planning a funeral so just ask for brief suggestions or run ideas by them. Find those who are willing to help and let them guide you in your planning. Chances are folks will rally around to offer their services or at least give you advice on where to get programs printed or the best local florist to use.

4. Location

There are a number of places where funerals can be held.

Some include, but are not limited to: Church or temple, grave side, funeral home or place of importance to deceased.

If your loved one died out of town and you are not familiar with the vicinity, the Yellow Pages will be helpful to look into.

5. Funerals can be Simple

A funeral or memorial service need not be long. In fact, a short service will be best for all involved. Make plans for yourself or a loved one while everyone is able and healthy; this will ensure the funeral will be what is wanted. If you ask friends to take part in the eulogy, make sure they follow a time limit. Sharing a short memory about the deceased is appropriate and fitting; spending an hour on the life and accomplishments of the deceased may make for weariness.

6. Keep in Mind

Flowers do not need to be costly.

Candles to light the setting or to create a warm or somber mood are something you might want to consider.

Be sure to offer some compensation to those who sing, play music or preach at the service. Many will be willing to provide these services for free; others may ask for payment, especially if someone has to travel far to conduct the service. Even if you are on a budget, don't neglect the cost others accrue for the funeral.

7. Grieving

After the burial or cremation and funeral, the busy work is over. Now, the family and friends are left to mourn the death as they go through their daily lives without the loved one. Reach out to all of those who were affected by the death, particularly, the immediate family. While learning how to plan a funeral is important, *doing the grief work that brings healing is vital for all the survivors.*

LTBB Burial Regulations have been assigned to the Human Services Department. You can call 231-242-1632 for more information.

If we can be of assistance to you in the LTBB Elders Program, please don't hesitate to call us at 231-242-1423.

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GRANTS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

The Grants and Donations Program has implemented a new application process. Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for native or non-native organizations. The deadline for submitting an application is August 31, 2010. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420.

June Elder Birthdays

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| June 1
Jerome Kiogima
Nancy Shaffer
Robert Thompson | June 10
Anthony Genia Sr.
Carol McFall | June 20
Ronald Allison
Francis Holdorph |
| June 2
Samuel Lasley
Angela Patterson
Stewart Walker | June 11
Arlene Foreman
Helen Lind
Jeanette Root
James Scott | June 21
Jacklynn Cole
David Dominic |
| June 3
Moses Bernard Jr.
Gerald Garrow
Charles Massey Sr.
Warren Petoskey | June 12
Mary Thornburg
Dorothy Watkins | June 23
George Anziano Jr.
Sylvester Gould
Francene McCorkle |
| June 4
Lucille Lafreniere | June 13
Catherine Rotan | June 24
Lawrence Crossett
John Gasco Jr.
Linda Hogge |
| June 5
Ronald Boda Sr.
Melvin Hardwick
Jean Schlappi
Sandra Shepard | June 14
Henry Lasley
Edwin Sagataw | June 25
Louis Kiogima
Alice Marshall |
| June 6
Catherine Portman | June 15
Donald Boda
Mary Gaus | June 26
Elmer Bruette
Betty Iliff-Debusk
Evon Pirsein |
| June 7
Marilyn Austin
Floyd Cutler
Emerald Lacroix
Cynthia Wunderlich | June 16
Clifford Cutler
Pearl Poole
Marcia Sutton
Edward Wilson | June 27
Michael Fox |
| June 8
Emery Iliff
Deborah Medina | June 17
Joann Carey
Doylene Fockler
James Smith III | June 28
Rosanna Campbell
Eugene Nadeau |
| June 9
George Santiago | June 18
Bonnie Harris
Diana Peltier | June 29
Twyla Hyde
Colleen Kilpatrick
Victoria Vogel |
| | June 19
Terry Erno
Ernest Harrington | June 30
William Dunlop |

ELDERS PROGRAM REPORT

Eleven LTBB students in K-12 recently received student incentive awards for straight A's, perfect attendance or both for the first two marking periods of the current school year from the Michigan Indian Elders Association.

Students earn \$25 for straight A's and perfect attendance or \$50 for achieving both.

The students were Ashley Dominic (straight A's for both marking periods and perfect attendance for one marking period) Matthew Daybird (straight A's for both marking periods), Kyle Flynn (straight A's for both marking periods and perfect attendance for one marking period), Jordan Karlis (straight A's for one marking period), Caren Kay (straight A's for both marking periods and perfect attendance for both marking periods), Sydney Kay (straight A's for one marking period and perfect attendance for both marking periods), Rebecca Lynn (straight A's for both marking periods), Derek Willis (straight A's for both marking periods and perfect attendance for both marking periods), Jared Willis (perfect attendance for one marking period), Sjana Baker (straight A's for both marking periods) and Kinsley Greenlaw (perfect attendance for both marking periods).

Michigan Indian Elders Association 2010 Scholarship Notice

The Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) is pleased to announce it will make available a minimum of four \$500 scholarships and one \$1,000 scholarship. The scholarships will be awarded to at least five qualified students with the \$1,000 scholarship being awarded to the most qualified student as determined by committee review and lottery if necessary. Each student must be currently enrolled in a course of study at or have a letter of acceptance from a public college or university or technical school and must meet the following qualifications.

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QUALIFICATIONS

Must be an enrolled member (*copy of tribal card*) or be a direct descendant of an enrolled member of one of the MIEA constituent tribes/bands (*must be verified in writing by your tribal Enrollment Department*).

Must have successfully completed and passed all five General Education Development (G.E.D.) equivalency tests with a minimum score of 40 and an average score of 45 and must possess a G.E.D. certificate or must have graduated from an accredited high school with a 3.0 grade point average or if currently enrolled at a college, university or trade school, must have an accumulated grade point average of 3.0.

Must, except for special and extenuating circumstances, attend college, university or trade school on a full-time basis.

Must complete an application form and submit it with required supporting documentation, and the mailing must be received no later than June 21, 2010.

PLEASE NOTE: Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Applications can be obtained by visiting www.michiganindianelders.org or from the LTBB Education Department. To contact the LTBB Education Department for an application, please call 231-242-1480.

Upcoming Elder Trip

The LTBB Elders Program is making travel arrangements for the: **Anishinaabe Language & Culture Camp Manistee, MI on July 23, 24, 25, 2010**
Meals are provided and there is no registration fee.
Camping is available at no charge.
Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians of the Anishinaabe Nation and the Little River Casino Resort

This trip is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Space is limited, so please call 231-242-1423 if you are interested in attending.



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Health Department

Important Facts You Should Know About Indian Health Service Contract Health Service

I.H.S. - CHS coverage is not automatic. You must be registered with CHS. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non-I.H.S. facility such as urgent care or the emergency room, you must notify the CHS office at 231-242-1600 within 72 hours of that visit. If you fail to do so, you will be held responsible for the bill.

Eligibility Criteria:

- You must reside in the Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA).
- Be an enrolled member or descendent of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians or be able to prove social or economic ties to the community.
- A Native American claiming eligibility for CHS has the responsibility to furnish the tribal program with documentation to substantiate the claim.
- You must have an active and complete file with Contract Health before a reference number can be given.

Remember!!!!

Indian Health Service Contract Health is not an entitlement program - not everyone is eligible. Know your status before obtaining services.

Referrals:

Physicians write referrals when patients need medical

care that is not available in the Tribal Clinic. A referral is not an implication the care will be paid by CHS. A patient must meet eligibility criteria, medical priorities and use all alternate resources available.

If a referral is denied for CHS payment, the patient may elect to obtain medical services at his or her own expense. In most cases, an approved referral is limited to one medical appointment. Please call Contract Health Services at 231-242-1600 prior to any follow-up appointments for approval to make sure your coverage is still in effect.

Alternate Resources:

Contract Health Service is the payer of last resort. When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, Veterans Assistance, Workman's compensation, private insurance or any other coverage, it is considered the primary carrier.

Priority system:

Medical referrals are approved for payment by a priority system.

The system has highest priority to approve conditions related to life saving or potential death threatening situations, then we approve by severity of condition.

The amount of funding we receive for CHS services is limited. When we run out of money toward the end of the year, then we have to be very strict on referral approvals and may only have the funds to pay for emergency conditions.

Are You the Parent of a Child Aged 1 to 8 Years Old?
Could You Use An Extra \$20 A Week for Groceries?

If you answered yes to both questions, please join us for a program that will teach you small changes to improve the health of you and your family. A Happy Odawa Family Kitchen program runs for 8 weeks per session, one, 2-hour class per week and participants will receive a \$20 gift card to Glens Market at each class. Children are welcome to attend with you. For more information, please contact Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or LTBB Head Start at 231-539-8325.

Medical Transportation

Is available to tribal households who have no alternate means of transport. For LTBB household members residing in the LTBB service delivery area. For medical appointments/purposes only. Transport must be arranged 72 hours in advance. Contact Community Outreach at the LTBB Health Department at 231-242-1601

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Little Traverse Bay Bands Community Health
 Call Cathy Gibson to sign up at 231-242-1601
 Your FRESH TRACKS leader will be Betty Noland, RD
 Questions? E-mail bettyoland@shaw.ca



After Hours Clinic for LTBB Tribal Patients

Weekend Urgent Care Alternative

Quick Care Walk-In Medical Center
 116 W. Mitchell Street
 Petoskey, MI 49770
 231-348-2828

This clinic can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

When using this provider, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be re-

ceived within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.

Notice: Up North Medical Center, also known as Boyne Country Urgent Care, located on M-119 in Harbor Springs, MI, is no longer open after hours or on weekends, so LTBB is no longer using it as an urgent care facility. After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at Quick Care Walk-In Medical Center or Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.

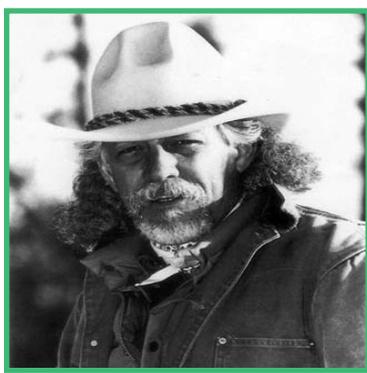


The HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Would like to remind the tribal community that there is Childcare Assistance available! If you are interested, please call:

231-242-1620

Check Out These Terry C. Johnston Selections Available at the LTBB Cultural Library



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

American Western Fiction Author Terry C. Johnston wrote four series (*Son of the Plains*, *Plainsmen*, *Jonas Hook* and *Titus Bass*) and three novels (*Carry the Wind*, *BorderLords* and *One-eyed Dream*) during his successful career.

Johnston, born in 1947 in Kansas, succumbed to colon cancer in early 2001.

His most famous books were a series of nine historical novels spanning the Rocky Mountains Fur Trade era and its eventual demise told through the eyes of the protagonist Titus "Scratch" Bass. This is the *Titus Bass* series.

His *Son of the Plains* series is based on Custer, his *Plainsmen* series places main fictional character Seamus Donegan in different battles and confrontations and his *Jonas Hook Trilogy* is based on a Confederate Prisoner of War whose only way out of prison is to become a Union soldier and where he is subsequently sent to a Western post.

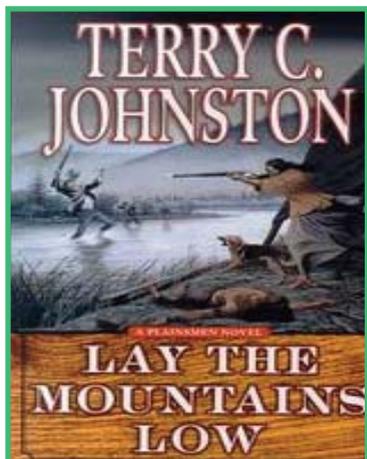
His first novel, *Carry the Wind*, won the Medicine Pipe Bearer's Award from the Western Writers of America, and several of his novels have appeared on bestseller lists.

Johnston's novels, *Lay the Mountains Low: The Flight of the Nez Perce from Idaho and the Battle of the Big Hole*, *One-Eyed Dream*, *Dance on the Wind*, *Carry the Wind*, *Buffalo Palace*, *Ride the Moon Down*, *Crack in the Sky* and *BorderLords*, are available for LTBB Tribal Citizens to check out for three weeks from the LTBB Cultural Library.

Lay the Mountains Low: The Flight of the Nez Perce from Idaho and the Battle of the Big Hole

This is the 15th volume in Johnston's *Plainsmen* series and the second in a trilogy of works based on the Nez Perce War of 1877.

The following *Library Journal* editorial review of the novel appears on the Amazon.com website: "John-

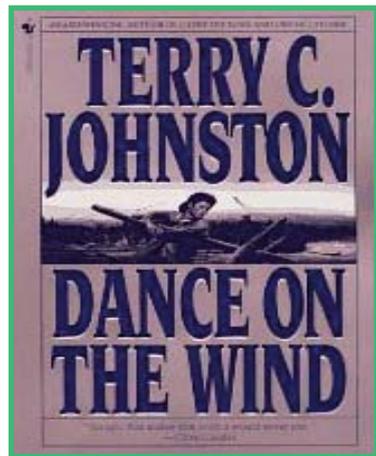


ston, the best-selling historical frontier novelist, once again exhibits his mastery of portraying Western history in fictional form. This book takes place after the Battle of White Bird Canyon (June 17, 1877), depicted in his *Cries from the Earth*. In this tale of five Nez Perce tribal leaders who choose to resist the encroaching white settlers and who refuse to make treaties with the U.S. government, Johnston provides gripping, authentic details of historically accurate events; readers see the Nez Perce wars through the eyes of those involved and read actual letters and newspaper clippings of the day. Besides the historical details, the novel presents a compelling, action-packed story."

Dance on the Wind

This is the first novel in the *Titus Bass* series.

The following *Booklist* editorial review of the novel appears on the Amazon.com website: "One of frontier novelist Johnston's most popular characters has been Titus Bass, the protagonist of a trilogy that began

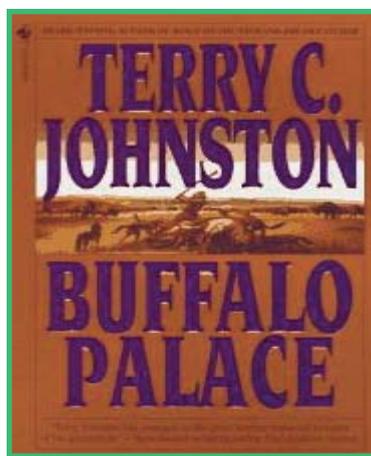


with *Carry the Wind* (1982). Here, in the first installment of a new series, we move backward in time to Bass' youth. It's 1810, and young Titus feels the age-old pressure to honor the family vocation, in his case, farming, but the prospect of life behind a mule makes the young man queasy. Finally, faced with an angry father who can't tolerate his son's dreamin' ways, the 17-year-old Titus sets out for the horizon. After joining up with a group of river rats, Titus quickly finds the adventure he seeks, but along with it, comes the sobering realization that on the frontier your friends can get hurt and even die."

Buffalo Palace

This novel resumes where *Dance on the Wind* concluded.

The following *Booklist* editorial review of the novel appears on the Amazon.com website: "Titus Bass is 31 years old in 1825 and about to embark on the greatest adventure of his life. After years of trapping the upper Missouri, Titus is alone. His partner has passed away, but not before passing along his knowledge of survival in the untamed land west of the Mississippi. Headed for the Great Plains, Titus hooks up with a small band of like-minded adventurers and makes his way northwest from St. Louis. It's an arduous journey, but Titus is de-

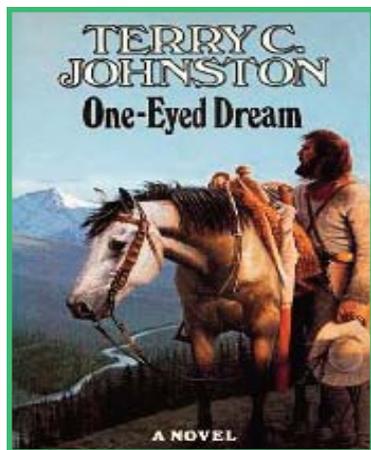


termined to reach what is known as the Buffalo Palace. Taking place over an extended period of time in which the protagonist undergoes many changes, Johnston's latest effort again achieves the epic scope familiar from several earlier Bass novels, including *Carry the Wind* (1982) and *Dance on the Wind* (1995), which chronicled the character's early life. Readers will look forward to the further adventures of Titus Bass hinted at in the tale's exciting conclusion."

One-Eyed Dream

This is the third book in the *Titus Bass* series.

The following *Publishers Weekly* editorial review of the novel appears on the Amazon.com website: "Titus Bass is the hard-bitten, one-eyed 'old' trapper and mountain man who's befriended orphan Josiah Paddock. In 1833, they and their Indian wives, and Josiah's infant son, make their way to an idyllic spot in northern New Mexico, later moving on to Taos for the winter. Titus discovers two ex-friends who stole his catch 10 years before are still alive, and he sets out to wreak his revenge. Josiah travels with him to St. Louis where old M.

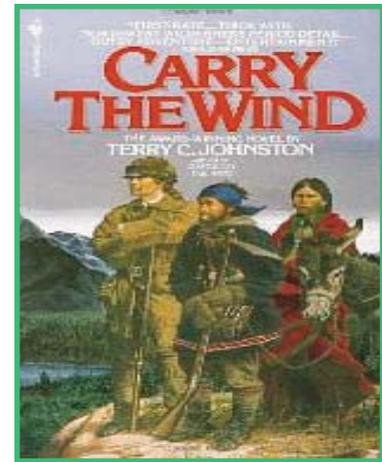


LeClerc has plotted for years to avenge his son's death at Josiah's hands."

Carry the Wind

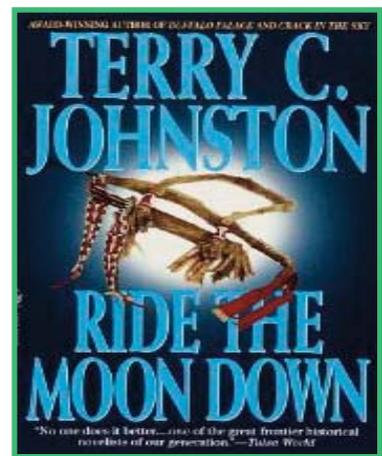
The following product description of the novel appears on the Amazon.com website: "Young Josiah Paddock, on the run from his past in St. Louis, didn't have much hope of survival. Winter was coming to the Rockies, and if the cold cutting through his city clothes didn't kill him, grizzlies or Indians would. Then, his luck turned. He stumbled across the trail of Ol' Scratch, a solitary mountain man eager enough for company to take the brash youngster under his wing. Pure chance brought Paddock to the old trapper's camp, but it was skill with a gun and a knife

that kept them both alive as they rode deep into the majestic land of Blackfeet and Crow, bible-spouting pioneers and sensual women where only the best and braves survived . . . and only the luckiest rode back again. *Carry the Wind* is a gripping historical saga set in the Grand Tetons during a time when the horizon never ended and a nation was being born."



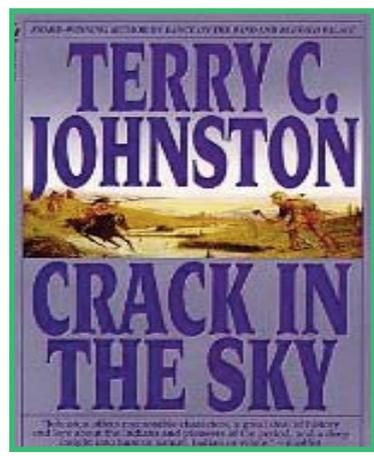
Ride the Moon Down

The following *Booklist* editorial review of the novel appears on the Amazon.com website: "Titus Bass and his beautiful Crow wife, Waitsby-the-Water, learn her beloved uncle has recently been killed by a Blackfoot war party, and Titus joins the group to exact revenge. Upon his return, he finds his little family has been taken prisoner by another war party. Revenge be damned, Titus sets out to reclaim the only true happiness he has ever known. He must not only contend with warring Indian tribes, but also with duplicitous white traders, the elements and one enemy even Titus can't defeat: Smallpox. The continuing saga of Titus Bass provides readers with a genuine sense of frontier life and the hardships of the very earliest settlers in the context of an epic adventure. Bass is a near-mythic Davy Crockett-like character, but author Johnston imbues him with everyman emotions, which makes his despair over the loss of his loved ones genuine. This is a popular series, and readers of past Bass adventures will not be disappointed."



Crack in the Sky

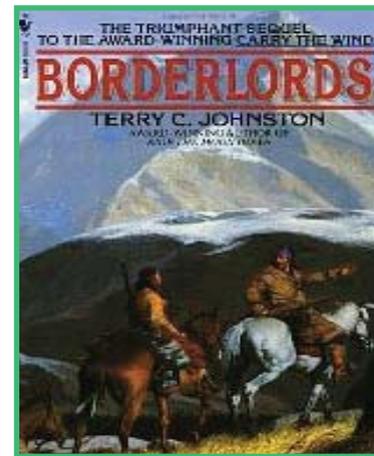
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BorderLords

The following product description appears on the Barnes & Noble website: "They had settled a bloody score and put the turncoat McAfferty to rest in the snowbound Rockies. Slowly, painfully, the wounded Paddock and Scratch found their way back to the Crow village, where they were welcomed as brother and son. The people of Chief Arapooesh offered rest, healing and home to the mountain men. Then, a misunderstanding over a beautiful Crow woman drove the friends apart, pro-



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Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

Graphics by Pre-Press Graphic Specialist Wendy Congdon.

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Executive Branch

From the Desk of the Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington

Aanii Tribal Citizens.

Our annual Community Meeting has come and gone. Cathy Portman was the elected tribal citizen for this year's Community Meeting and did an outstanding job.

For the first time ever, the meeting was broadcast live on the Internet. Pierpont Productions was hired to videotape and broadcast live. Our Community Meeting can be viewed simply by Google search "ustream.tv," then search for "LTBB" and the videos will come up for your viewing.

Cathy Portman was elected at this year's meeting as the "Speaker of the House" for next year's annual Community Meeting. Tribal citizens who would like certain items on the agenda for our Community Meeting next year, please contact Cathy Portman through the LTBB Government at 231-242-1401.

It was the first time for Chairman Ken Harrington and Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara to present at the annual Community Meeting. Ambassadorial duties, current events and money saving concepts and plans were presented, followed by a Q&A by tribal citizens. We hope to see you there next year or log in and view the meeting via Internet.

Housing developments for our tribe continue.

The Murray Road 10-unit housing project is on schedule. Eagle/BCI Construction is the contractor, and the firm is 50% Indian owned and operated. The units are framed in, and the road contracts have been awarded.

Projected completion is August 2010.

A new home is under construction at the Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Housing Development north of Harbor Springs, MI.

The custom built home is the first home in the development to have a garage. The three bedroom, two bath home with attached garage will be for sale or lease.

Both projects are funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

Interested tribal citizens who would like to occupy this home or one of the 10 units at Murray Road, please contact our Housing Department at 231-242-1540.

Our tribe is a member of the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) which is made up of five tribes, the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

The Chairman is supporting our Natural Resource Department's (NRD) financial restructure of CORA. Since 2002, our NRD Director, Doug Craven, has attempted a restructure which will save our tribe thousands, keep us in compliance with the 2007 Inland Consent Decree and provide the same services in-house.

The Intertribal Fisheries Program (ITFAP) is another restructure program the Chairman is supporting, spearheaded by our NRD Director. Restructuring ITFAP or eliminating

its services altogether is currently being accessed.

NRD provides the services in-house, we remain in compliance with the Inland Consent Decree, and our data is shared with ITFAP and the State of Michigan.

The Asian Carp issue is a hot topic for NRD. We are currently meeting and consulting with the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) for the prevention of the infiltration of Asian Carp into our Great Lakes. The Great Lakes commercial and sport fishing industry is valued at more than \$7 billion annually.

The threat of the Asian Carp infiltrating our Great Lakes could have a severe negative impact for generations. Our tribe, CORA, other tribes and many other people and organizations continue to help to stop the infiltration of the Asian Carp.

The Executive is in the process of a wage grid study for all tribal government employees.

We provide many services which require more than 150 full-time jobs. While we are proud of the services provided, the new administration will provide this wage grid study for our Tribal Council and our tribal citizens.

We want our pay and salaries to be in line with other tribal governments. The Human Resources Department is providing the study accompanied by an outside third party firm. The third party firm provides an objective non-biased study. Typically, a wage grid study is updated every five years.



Notes from W.O.C.T.E.P.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Reflects on Sociology 115, Anishinaabek Culture Class

Submitted by Jannan J. Cornstalk, LTBB Tribal Citizen

Editor's note: Sociology 115, Anishinaabek Culture, is open to all North Central Michigan College students and is one requirement of receiving a Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP) certificate.

Reflecting back on what I learned in Anishinaabek Culture class, I find it hard to sum up in a few words or even to *find* the words to express how important this class was for me and for the non-Native community at North Central Michigan College.

I felt empowered and disgusted at the same time while sitting in class while watching the Power Point presentations, listening to my Native and non-Native fellow students comment and ask poignant questions about my culture. I guess if I didn't have a strong passion for the retention of my culture or remaining enmeshed in my culture, my feelings would not have been so intense, and I would have learned nothing. I learned I have more to learn about myself and others.

Some unpleasant misnomers, negative things are still out there lurk-

ing around and can try to attack my spirit and attempt to deter me from my lifelong missions. So, I try to surround myself with good people who support me in forward and positive thinking and who they themselves live a joyous and fruitful life. I try to feed my spirit with spiritual food like yoga, Pilates, ceremonies, Native songs, jokes, teasing, laughter and hugs. To remain grounded in a state of selflessness, I have to help others, volunteer and not take for granted blessings the Creator gives me everyday.

Naturally as a human being, I get sidetracked and forget why I'm here and get off the beaten path of pursuing true happiness. When that happens, negative words, thoughts and deeds surface and make it hard to look at that Anishinaabe Kwe in the mirror. Falling off, falling down or having a falling out inevitably happen, but I don't remain there for long these days and find good orderly direction once again.

I am always given opportunities or opportunities are always front and center to be of service to others, so it makes it difficult to forget who's in charge and in the driver's seat.

I constantly remind myself to forgive my tragic past, both for myself and others and realize today it

doesn't have to be that way anymore and courage can be an imposing virtue that picks me up, dusts me off and sends me on my way.

I find pride in knowing our culture, language and Native people have survived terrorism, assimilation and desecration, and due to our resilient Native intuitive spirits, *we are still here.*

There is still a lot of sickness in my Native community due to what my ancestors had to live with and through. But becoming aware of what happened, finding pride in our language and culture will save us from that sickness and prevent it from multiplying and festering.

I don't think our ancestors would have wanted us to forget them or to not use our Indian intuition and ingenuity to live life to its fullest. As an Anishinaabe Kwe, I will still try to have compassion and understanding of my non-Native students, and remember the Creator didn't just place Indians on the earth to exist and to not help others. Even if someone else doesn't choose to do the right thing, that doesn't mean it gives me permission to do the same thing. If the Sociology 115 class can educate and enlighten one student at a time, that's good enough for me. One is better than none.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians



Housing Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1540
Fax: 231-242-1550



WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE
Elder Housing Development

Application Availability Notification

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Housing Department is accepting applications for our Elder Housing Development located in Harbor Springs, MI. The Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Elder Housing Development consists of twelve, two (2) bedroom units nestled in a peaceful, country setting north of Harbor Springs, MI. Applicants must meet the following guidelines:

- MUST BE A MEMBER OF A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBE
- MUST BE 55-YEARS OF AGE, HANDICAP AND/OR DISABLED OF ANY AGE
- MUST BE INCOME QUALIFIED - RENT BASED ON INCOME

Please note that Tribal identification and ALL household income/asset information must accompany your application.

Please contact the Housing Department for more information at 231-242-1540.



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Housing Department Programs

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area. An application packet must be completed and returned to the Housing Dept. for processing to determine qualification. To obtain an application, please contact the Housing Dept. at 231-242-1540.

Short Term Rental Assistance: This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used **ONE TIME ONLY** and the rent requested must be affordable and may not exceed 30% of the household's monthly income. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

Home Improvement Program: This program offers up to \$2,500 for non-cosmetic home repairs and may be utilized once every five years.

Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$5,000 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home.

Foreclosure Prevention Program: This program offers up to \$3,000 to assist in foreclosure prevention.

Well & Septic Assistance Program: Funded by the Indian Health Services located in Sault Ste. Marie, MI; this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation of a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

Credit Counseling: We provide confidential advice and referrals to assist tribal citizens in regaining their financial stability and credibility.

Tribal Housing Rental Program: This program is designed to assist families, for a limited time, until permanent housing can be found. Please submit a letter of interest and your application will be put on our waiting list for when LTBB rentals become available.

ODAWA HOMECOMING Canopy Policies

- All Canopies must have at least one participant (Dancer/Singer)
- Set-up begins Friday, August 13 at 5 p.m. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
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- **YOU** are responsible for canopy area-**CLEAN** up before leaving
- All interested parties **MUST** check in with Pow Wow Committee Member prior to setting up
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Tribal Council Meeting Minutes



**The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
April 11, 2010**

Vote: 5 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 4 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott, Councilor R. Shananaquet)
Motion carried.
10:19 a.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept Appropriations and Finance Committee Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima's verbal and written report for April 11, 2010.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott)
Motion carried.

10:44 a.m. Recess called.

11:01 a.m. Meeting reconvened.
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to accept Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's written report for April 11, 2010.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to acknowledge receipt of Citizenship List C - Voluntary Relinquishment dated April 9, 2010 for a total of 3.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott)
Motion carried.

Elder Comments: Bea Law spoke in support of budget restraints and asked when the Tribal Council would be reviewing the Tribal Court's evaluation from Bureau of Indian Affairs.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Michele LaCount spoke regarding the April 16, 2010 Casino Job Fair at the Tribal Governmental Center as well as at the Annual Membership Meeting. Michele also spoke regarding Contract Health allowance from Indian Health Service regarding to college students, and the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council.

11:57 a.m. Public Comment closed.
11:58 a.m. Lunch recess called.

1:32 p.m. Meeting reconvened.
1:36 p.m. Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to go into closed session confidential business matters-casino.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 4 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott, Councilor Kiogima)
Motion carried.

2:33 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to return to open session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Tribal Chairman Harrington's verbal and written report for April 11, 2010 with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve the Special Meeting minutes of April 10, 2010 with corrections.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott)
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt Tribal Resolution Appropriation of Funds for the 2011 Operating Budgets and Restatement of Funding Allocation for the 2011 Fiscal Year.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-absent, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-absent, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-absent
Motion carried.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment: no comments
3:01 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:02 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adjourn.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Legislative Leader Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott)
Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary
Date

April 25, 2010

Closed Session: yes
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:04 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima
Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Absent: Councilor Gerald Chingwa
Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: General Counsel James Bransky, Interim Chief Financial Officer Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara, Gaming Board of Directors: Carol McFall, Sheran Patton, Judy Pierzynowski, Casino: Barry Laughlin, Mike Bodjiak, Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington

Guests: Sarah VanDeCar, Rose Smalley, John Liebgott, Christine Shomin, Bill Denemy, Sr., Cynthia Brouckaert, Kim Knoppe, Cathi Rotan, Bea Law

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and

9:50 a.m. Recess called.

10:00 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

10:01 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Kiogima to go into closed session for confidential business matters-casino.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 1 - Absent (Councilor R. Shananaquet)
Motion carried.

11:24 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Bardwell to return to open session.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

11:24 a.m. Recess called.

11:35 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal and written Tribal Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee report for April 25, 2010.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Chingwa to amend the Gaming Board of Directors FY 2009 Budget to include an additional amount of \$20,000 for incurred expenses.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor R. Shananaquet), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

11:50 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

11:51 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept the Land and Reservation Committee report as presented by Committee Chairperson Melvin L. Kiogima.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

12:15 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:46 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Councilor Belinda Bardwell's travel reports regarding National Indian Gaming Association and Anishinaabemowin Teg Conferences.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for April 25, 2010.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

2:01 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Otto to go into closed session for confidential business matters-casino.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

3:07 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to return to open session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Otto)
Motion carried.

3:08 p.m. Public Comment opened: Bea Law spoke regarding the Petoskey News Review release of recall petitions placed in the Petoskey News Review. Sarah VanDeCar also spoke regarding the Petoskey News Review release of recall petitions and the Tribal News Letter's ability to not be political so other avenues are being sought by Tribal Citizens. Cathy Rotan cautioned inviting the Petoskey News Review into Tribal business.

3:18 p.m. Public Comment closed.
3:19 p.m. Recess called.

3:29 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:30 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to go into closed session for confidential business matters casino.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

4:01 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Chingwa to return to open session.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington's verbal and written report for April 25, 2010 with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Treasurer Bott to Request for Funding from the United States Department of Justice, Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2010 CTAS Grant, with certification on file in the Legislative Office.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Treasurer Bott to Request for Funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Performance Partnership Grant with certification on file in the Legislative Office.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Targeted Capacity Expansion - Technology Assisted Care (TCE-TAC) Grant, with certification on file in the Legislative Office.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve Enrollment List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated March 25, 2010 for a total of 11.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to acknowledge enrollment List C - Voluntary Relinquishment dated April 14, 2010 for a total of 1.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution: Authorization for Standard Construction and Design Contracts.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-no, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to reimburse travel expenses at standard governmental rate incurred by financial consultants Frank King and David Tuvlin of Stuyvesant Square Advisors, Inc. for their attendance at Tribal Council's Special meeting, April 24, 2010 to come from the Legislative Budget consultant line-item.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to approve the filing of lawsuits in the name of the Tribe on behalf of the Odawa Casino Resort against Gold Shield Shuttle Service.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve the "Action Item" as outlined in Confidential Memo 042510-01 as submitted by Legislative Services Attorney Budnick concerning confidential business matters-casino.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to table Vetoed Statute Waganakising Odawak Statute #2010-002 Health Department & #2010-003 Tribal Treasurer Responsibilities to the next agenda.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
Motion carried.

5:32 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to adjourn.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
All Draft Work Products were tabled.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary
Date

Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2010

June 5 Work Session
June 6 Council Meeting
June 26 Work Session
June 27 Council Meeting

July 10 Work Session
July 11 Council Meeting
July 24 Work Session
July 25 Council Meeting

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE TRIBAL COURTROOM LOCATED AT 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

Legislative Tribal Council Members
Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader
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Gerald Chingwa, Councilor
Marvin Mulholland, Councilor
Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor
Rita Shananaquet, Councilor

Department of Commerce

How To Become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM)

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is officially changing your address with the Enrollment Department. All RTMs are verified through Enrollment. Enrollment in turn sends the Department of Commerce (DOC) notification of your status. Please note on your Address Verification Form (AVF) the township you reside in. This alerts the Enrollment Department for RTM status. When you change your address with the Michigan Secretary of State's office, you will be asked if you would like to register to vote; by doing so, it will note the township you reside in. Otherwise, ask one of the Enrollment Department staff when filling out your AVF.

Your RTM status does not become effective until the first day of the following month in which you moved.

Example: I changed my address with the Enrollment Department on May 3. My RTM status did not go into effect until June 1.

It is VERY important you notify Enrollment immediately when you move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA).

It is your responsibility to notify Enrollment of any changes in address or name; the DOC cannot backtrack or backdate documents in order to qualify for RTM status.

Being an RTM exempts you from paying state sales tax on large tangible items such as vehicles, boats, snowmobiles and off the road vehicles. It also applies to affixation to your primary place of residence. There is a form that needs to be filled out to request a Tribal Certificate of Exemption (TCE). The request for this form (Request for TCE) can be

found on the LTBB website www.ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov or by calling the DOC at 231-242-1584. Tribal Form 3998, which is the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption, may only be issued by the DOC with certain authorized signers. The signing order is as follows: DOC Assistant Theresa Keshick, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara and Chairman Ken Harrington (in the absence of DOC).

Please note: All RTM updates are sent to the State of Michigan on a monthly basis as close to the end of the month as possible. If you plan to

purchase a vehicle or do any remodeling to your residence, please wait until after your RTM status is effective (after the first day of the following month in which you moved); otherwise, the State of Michigan will deny your claim for a refund.

Being an RTM also exempts you from sales/use tax on utilities such as phone, Internet, satellite, gas, electric, propane and cellular service. Please fill out the **Residency Form for Tax Agreement** and return it to the address noted on the bottom of the form.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

Cross Village (all)	Readmond (all)
Friendship (all)	West Traverse (all)
Little Traverse (all)	City of Harbor Springs (all)
Resort (partial)	Bay (partial)
Hayes (partial)	Bear Creek (all)
City of Petoskey (all)	
City of Charlevoix (only NORTH of the bridge)	

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

1. Sales Tax (6% of retail price)
2. Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Single Business Tax (1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
5. *Motor Fuel Tax (31 cents per gallon unleaded and 27 cents per gallon on diesel)
6. *Tobacco Product Tax (\$2 per pack of cigarettes)
(*To purchase tobacco products, you MUST be 18 years of age or older!*)

* All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.

*The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.

*The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

Please note: Exemption for tobacco and fuel is for LTBB Tribal Members' sole consumption ONLY!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE THEIR TRIBAL ID SWIPE CARDS FOR PURCHASES OF NON-MEMBERS NOR ARE THEY ALLOWED TO LEND THEIR CARDS OUT TO ANYONE.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians CBC Vacancies

Commission	Term	Vacancies
Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Natural Resources	4 yr. term	1
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	2
Zoning Board of Appeals	1, 2 & 3 yr. term	3
Gaming Board of Directors	Indefinite	2

2010 vacancies: Education Appeals Board (2), Citizenship (3), Housing (2), Child Welfare (1), Gaming Regulatory (1)

The following information is provided for Tribal Members who are seeking nominations for an appointment to an LTBB Commission, Board and/or Committee. Those interested, please submit a letter of interest along with your resume to:

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FAX (231) 242-1411
Or Email: chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

The Executive Office notifies applicants when letter and resume are received. The Chairman's nominations are forwarded to Tribal Council. Thereafter, the Legislative Office handles all interview scheduling and correspondence for the commissions, for the position vacancies.

Judicial Postings:

The Executive office is also accepting resumes and suggestions for nominations for the appointed positions of:

Justice of the Appellate Court, 6 year term
Tribal Court Chief Judge, 4 year term

Powers, Jurisdiction, Eligibility, Terms, see Article IX of The Constitution of the LTBB of Odawa Indians.

Refer to the WOS 2008-14 Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Statute for compensation.

Please contact Chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or by phone at 231-242-1401, for any questions.

Updated March 12, 2010 by LF

Enrollment Department

Address Verification Forms Due November 30, 2010

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM completed annually before November 30, 2010. No faxed or electronic versions are accepted because all forms require original signatures. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship or

custodial issues, please contact the Enrollment Department at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521.

Minors who turn 18 by November 30, 2010 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM. This form must be returned by November 30, 2010.

Address verification forms can be downloaded at www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov/Departments/Enrollment/enrollment.htm or you may call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521 to have a form mailed to you.

LTBB Tribal Directories

The Enrollment Office has LTBB Tribal Directories for sale. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled prior to February 1, 2009, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

Qualifications:

- Must include a copy of

your tribal identification card
•A \$5 money order or check payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians

Mail to:

LTBB of Odawa Indians
Attn: Enrollment Office
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521 or 231-242-1520.

Moving?

If you move, please contact the Enrollment Office and we will send you an address verification form.

Forms are also available at www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov. Click on Offices/Government Center/Enrollment Department and click on the appropriate form. The adult form must be printed on legal size paper and the minor form on letter size paper. We will continue to add forms there in the future.

It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address verification form.

If you are a custodial parent, please provide proof by documentation.

Once a minor turns 18, you must contact the Enrollment Office and complete an address verification form or we will mark you as undeliverable.

If you are incarcerated and would like to continually receive the newsletter, you must keep your address current.

Towards the end of the year, we will notify you for purposes of the per capita payment.

Adult verification form must be witnessed.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520.

LTBB ID CARDS

The Enrollment Office has new picture identification cards. YOU DO NOT NEED A NEW PICTURE IDENTIFICATION CARD UNLESS:

- Your tribal identification card has expired
- Your tribal identification card has no magnetic strip
- Your tribal identification card has a post office box and not a physical address

If you have an address change and you want the address change to reflect on your card, there is a \$5 fee. Please keep in mind there is a \$5 replacement fee for the card. Free to elders.

Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521
Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520

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Fax: 231-439-5378

cportman@odawacasino.com



Tax Agreement Reminder

When moving into the LTBB Tax Agreement Area, in order to become a Resident Tribal Member, you must change your address in writing at the Enrollment Department located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Your RTM status will take effect on the first day of the following month in which you moved.

Natural Resource Department

LTBB HARVESTS FIRST STURGEON AND HOSTS STURGEON FEAST FOR LTBB TRIBAL COMMUNITY



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator, and Doug Craven, Natural Resource Director

In accordance with the conditions of the negotiated 2007 Inland Consent Decree, the five 1836 Treaty of Washington signatory tribes agreed to delay harvest in the Black Lake system until the adult sturgeon population reached 750 or more.

Near the end of 2009, it was determined the adult population had topped 750 fish. As a result, the five signatory tribes (the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, LTBB and the Sault Ste.

Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians) and the State of Michigan agreed to allocate the 2010 sturgeon harvest between the parties. Each of tribes was allocated a maximum of one fish each while the State of Michigan was allocated a maximum harvest of five fish.

The finalization of the sturgeon estimate and the discussions between the tribes and state to determine a safe allowable sturgeon harvest took place in the end of 2009 and the beginning of 2010. As a result, there was a fairly quick turnaround from determining agreed upon harvest numbers, to put regulations together and to get notice out to the tribal membership before the optimal harvest season was to begin.

The Natural Resource Commission (NRC) decided this would be a great opportunity to share the first sturgeon harvest of the tribe with the tribal community and decided to issue the first LTBB sturgeon permit as a ceremonial permit and to then have a community feast with the harvested sturgeon.

NRC selected LTBB Tribal Citizen Rodney Worthington for the ceremonial harvest. After having been unsuccessful in spearing a sturgeon through the ice, he was finally successful in landing a sturgeon via hook and line. On April 15, 2010 at approximately 9:05 p.m., Worthington caught LTBB's first sturgeon in Black Lake, located in eastern Cheboygan County, MI, with the sturgeon weighing in at 61 pounds and measuring five feet long. He caught the female sturgeon in 4.5 feet of water approximately 50 yards from shore. It took him 25 minutes to get the sturgeon into the boat. Worthington was accompanied by his 10-year-old grandson, James, and by local Black Lake resident Art Archambo.

"The first time I got a hold of him, he took off about 30-40 yards away and circled the boat," Worthington said. "The second time, he took off for the shore. The third time, I finally got a hold of him for good."

On April 21, 2010 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, the Natural Resource Commission and the Natural Resource Department hosted a sturgeon feast for the tribal community with approximately 35 people attending the feast. In addition to the baked and fried sturgeon and sturgeon caviar, whitefish and side items were also served. The Natural Resource Commissioners provided the whitefish, and the Chairman's Office provided the beverages and side items.

Natural Resource Director Doug Craven said sturgeon tastes similar to chicken or alligator with no fish taste.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Dawn Nightlinger attended the feast with her husband, Ken.

"We were excited to try something new because neither of us had ever eaten sturgeon before," Nightlinger said. "I liked the baked sturgeon because it had a firmer texture than other fish I've eaten. All of the food was excellent."

Next year, there will be a lottery held to determine who will receive the sturgeon permit or permits LTBB issues. LTBB Tribal Citizens can fill out an application, which Craven expects to be out in the fall, to receive a permit. The number of permits

LTBB will issue will depend on a sturgeon population assessment done later this year.

"More than 700 sturgeon were tagged in the Black Lake system during the last eight years, mostly by Sturgeon for Tomorrow," Craven said. "It will take a joint effort to get a more accurate population count."

Sturgeon for Tomorrow, the Black Lake chapter, is a non-profit organization dedicated to the future of lake sturgeon. Its mission is "to assist fisheries managers in the rehabilitation of the lake sturgeon; to advance education; to further other charitable, educational and scientific objectives; to engage in and facilitate scientific research furtherance of such purposes; and Sturgeon for Tomorrow shall be empowered to engage in such other and further means necessary and proper to accomplish the foregoing objects and purposes."

For more information on Sturgeon for Tomorrow, visit the group's website at www.sturgeonfortomorrow.org.

Pictured from left to right in the photo provided by the Natural Resource Department are Natural Resource Department Administrative Assistant Debra Smithkey-Browne and Rodney Worthington.

June 26, 2010

LTBB Natural Resource Commission
Annual Hunting / Fishing Meeting
 Soaring Eagle Casino Resort—Mt. Pleasant, MI

Please come and join us for an afternoon at the **Soaring Eagle Casino Resort, Mt. Pleasant, MI.** Hear what the Natural Resource Commission/Department has accomplished in the last year and plans for the future. We would like to hear tribal citizens' opinions and suggestions. Meeting will be from 1 p.m. — 5 p.m. Lunch will be served and door prizes will be given away throughout the meeting.

June 26, 2010
 Soaring Eagle Casino Resort
 Mt. Pleasant, MI

LTBB NRD
 7500 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, MI 49740
 231-242-1670
 Or e-mail—
 dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES

THE ESHKINIIGIJK:
 Are native and Non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 13-18 yrs. old
 Eshkiniigijik meet on a weekly basis, Thursdays after school until 7 PM
 Weekly meeting is usually held at the LTBB White House. Youth are informed of weekly meeting place and special events via phone, text and e-mail.
 Bus transportation is provided by Petoskey and Harbor Springs Schools

THE BINOJIIHAK:
 Are native and Non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 8-12 yrs. old
 Binojiihak meet on a weekly basis, Tuesdays after school until 7 PM
 Weekly meeting is usually held at the LTBB White House. Parents are informed of weekly meeting place and special events via phone, text and e-mail.
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June 19-20
Honoring Our Sisters Pow Wow
Brooklyn, MI
Contact Information: Davi Trusty at 517-544-7663 or dtrusty@gshom.org

June 25-27
Bay Mills Indian Community 19th Annual Honoring Our Veterans Competition Pow Wow
Brimley, MI
Contact Information: Angie Johnson at 906-248-8527, Allyn Cameron at 906-248-8118 or ajcameron@baymills.org

July 2-4
29th Annual Sault Tribe Pow Wow
Sault Ste. Marie, MI
Contact Information: Adrienne Shipman at 906-635-6050, AShipman@saulttribe.com or www.saulttribe.com

Minnesota

June 3-6
First Annual Traditional Pow Wow
Warroad, MN
Contact Information: 1-800-815-8293, rprelvitz@sevenclanscasino.com, dpankow@sevenclanscasino.com or www.rlenn.com

June 4-6
Nett Lake School Traditional Pow Wow
Nett Lake, MN
Contact Information: 218-780-3903 or dchosa@boisforte-nsn.gov

June 5-6
Seventh Annual Dakota Homecoming Traditional Pow Wow
Winona, MN
Contact Information: 507-452-2278, 507-457-0957 or www.dakotahomecoming.org

June 11-13
33rd Annual Lower Sioux Wacipi
Morton, MN
Contact Information: 507-697-6185

June 11-13
142nd Annual White Earth Traditional Pow Wow
White Earth, MN
Contact Information: 1-800-950-3248, ext. 1337 or higun2@msn.com

June 18-20
Hinkley Grand Celebration Contest Pow Wow
Hinkley, MN
Contact Information: Vicki Kroschel at 320-384-4930, vkroschel@grcasinos.com or <http://www.grandcasinomn.com/>

June 18-20
Seventh Annual S-Lake Traditional Pow Wow
S-Lake, MN
Contact Information: 218-760-7955, 218-368-3971 or 218-308-3680

June 18-20
Lake Vermilion Traditional Pow Wow
Tower, MN
Contact Information: 218-753-2843 or mdeegan@boisfort-nsn.gov

July 2-4
Leech Lake Fourth of July Traditional Pow Wow
Cass Lake, MN
Contact Information: 218-335-3784, 218-335-7000, lance.kingbird@llojibwe.com or jerry.morgan@leechlakegaming.com

July 9-11
2010 Prairie Island Contest Pow Wow
Prairie Island, MN
Contact Information: Lee Stoffel at 1-800-554-5473, lstoffel@piic.org or www.prairieisland.org

July 16-18
48th Annual Mii-Gwitch Mahnomen Days Traditional Pow Wow
Ball Club, MN
Contact Information: 218-246-3197, 218-246-2724 or 218-308-3680

July 23-25
12th Annual Onigum Traditional Pow Wow
Onigum, MN
Contact Information: 218-547-4090 or 218-536-0213

July 24-25
Keepers Gathering and Traditional Pow Wow
Pipestone, MN
Contact Information: Rona or Bud Johnson at 507-825-3734, 605-595-5229, pipe@iw.net or

www.pipekeepers.org

Wisconsin

June 4-6
20th Annual LCO Ojibwe School Contest Pow Wow
Hayward, WI
Contact Information: 715-634-8924 or www.lcoschools.bia.edu

June 11-13
Strawberry Moon Traditional Pow Wow
Mole Lake, WI
Contact Information: 715-478-7520, 715-478-7518 or tinavz30@newnorth.net

June 19-20
Honor the Firekeepers Traditional Pow Wow
Lake Geneva, WI
Contact Information: 708-715-5042, 262-549-0482, 734-552-4244 or lakegenepowwow.org

June 25-27
St. Croix Chippewa Contest Pow Wow
Turtle Lake, WI
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July 2-4
38th Annual Oneida Contest Pow Wow
Oneida, WI
Contact Information: 920-496-7897, 1-800-236-2214, www.oneidana-tion.org or lpowless@oneidana-tion.org

July 2-4
Red Cliff Annual Traditional Pow Wow
Red Cliff, WI
Contact Information: Andrew Gokee at 715-342-4515, agokee@uwsp.edu or <http://redcliff-nsn.gov/Tourism/powwow.htm>

July 9-11
28th Annual Bear River Traditional Pow Wow
Lac du Flambeau, WI
Contact Information: Teresa Mitchell at 715-588-3333 or bearriver_ldf@yahoo.com

July 16-18
37th Annual Honor the Earth Traditional Pow Wow
Hayward, WI
Contact Information: 715-634-8924

2010 Entertainment Calendar

 June 5th - 8pm Diamond Rio	 August 7th - 8pm Collective Soul
 June 26th - 8pm John Michael Montgomery	Friday, August 13th - 8pm Native Comedy with Charlie Hill; Larry Omaha; James & Ernie
 July 10th - 8pm Joan Jett	 August 28th - 8pm KC and The Sunshine Band
 July 24th - 8pm Sawyer Brown	 October 2nd - 8pm Mark Farner

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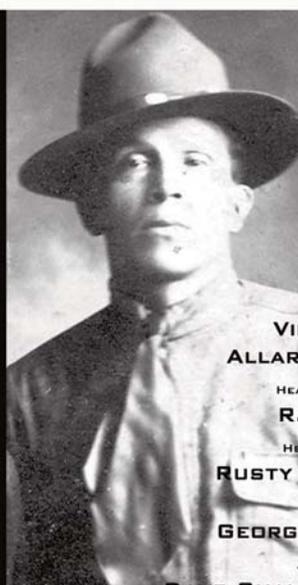
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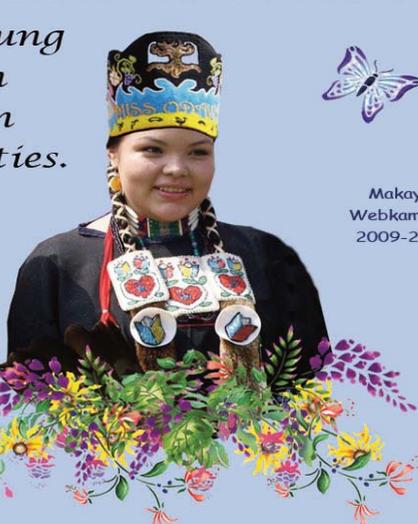
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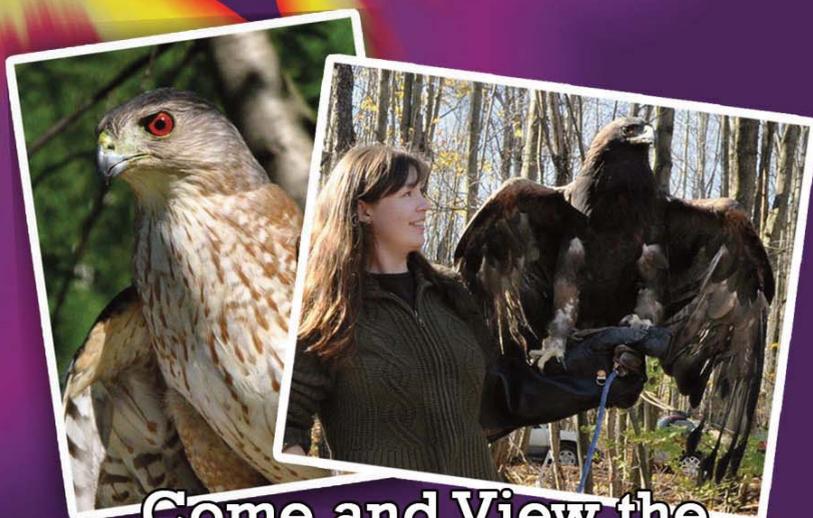
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Willis said he and the rest of his department are grateful to have Conservation Officer Mike McCreery back. McCreery, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, returned to the department on May 3, 2010.

"He helps us out tremendously," Willis said. "With the 2007 Inland Consent Decree, there are so many more things we have to do as a department. He takes some of the pressure off of us."

Willis grew up in Gaylord, MI, and graduated from Gaylord St. Mary's High School. He is certified as a Law Enforcement Officer after attending the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Police Academy.

He and his wife, Kristine, have two children, Jacob, 4, and Breanna, 2.

His sisters, Terri Thomasma, Tammy Bowers and Tiffany Willis, are all LTBB Government Employees.

His parents are Dorothy and the late John Willis.

GIS Coordinator Jim Keiser

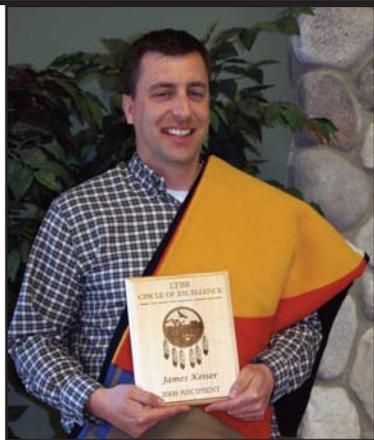
Jim Keiser started as the GIS Coordinator in June 2006.

In his position, Keiser performs a variety of field and office work. He said one of the more enjoyable things he does is performing field work for the Natural Resource and Environmental Services Departments because he is an avid outdoorsman.

"My job is kind of unique because I get a taste of several departments and get to work with a variety of different people," Keiser said. "It keeps things interesting. Every day is different. That's why I enjoy it so much."

Working in a two-person department with GIS Director Alan Proctor, Keiser is always on the go.

"One of us is always off doing something," Keiser said. "We take



pride in being able to knock out a variety of projects. It is an honor to be recognized by your peers for all the work you do, and I want to thank everyone who nominated me. I am truly honored. I hope I can continue to do a good job for years to come."

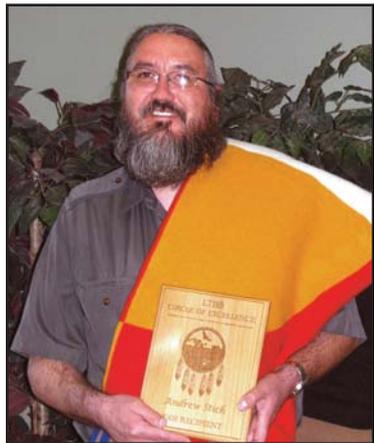
Keiser graduated from Pellston High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Central Michigan University. Prior to working for LTBB, he worked for the United States Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service and as the Project Manager for the Gratiot County Drain Commission.

He has a wife, Heather, a son, Brady, and a daughter, Callie.

Facilities Worker Andrew Stich

LTBB Tribal Citizen Andrew Stich started as a Facilities Worker in 2002 after working for Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI, in Hard Count and Maintenance.

While he attended Morley-Stan-



wood High School in the Stanwood, MI, area, he did janitorial work at Ferris State University (FSU) and later was a part of the Ground Crew at Katke Golf Course on the FSU campus. After his graduation from Mor-

ley-Stanwood High School, he attended FSU and worked in Hard Count at the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort in Mt. Pleasant, MI.

"I enjoy my work," Stich said. "You get to meet a lot of different people and get to see what they do."

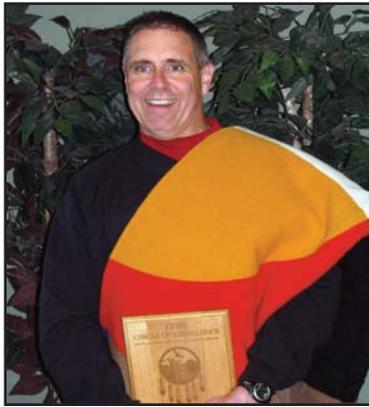
"I was very surprised to get the award. I never expected it."

The following is an excerpt from a co-worker who nominated him for the award: "Andrew provides great customer service and is courteous and polite at all times. I admire his work ethic, friendliness and knowledge."

Stich volunteers to sing and drum at various employee and tribal events.

Law Enforcement Officer Jeff Livingston

Jeff Livingston started as a Tribal



Law Enforcement Officer in April 2006 after working for the Grand Traverse County Sheriff Department.

Livingston, originally from Traverse City, MI, received his second award in four months. In addition to receiving a 2010 Circle of Excellence award, he received the second life-saving citation of his career on January 28, 2010.

On December 5, 2009 at the Holiday Bazaar held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, he saved the life of vendor Elizabeth Fischer. He received his first citation when he worked for the Grand Traverse County Sheriff Department. He saved his partner's life when they were investigating a possible DUI. An oncoming car missed the curve and came right at them. He didn't have time to push his partner out of the way, but he alerted him of the oncoming car which allowed his partner to get out of the way enough to avoid serious injury. His partner was fortunate to only suffer a cut on his head because the car was traveling at 55 miles per hour.

"I enjoy working in the Law Enforcement field because no two days are alike," Livingston said. "I am working with a lot of different types of peo-

ple. You learn a lot as a tribal police officer because you're dealing with both state and tribal law, and there are jurisdiction issues to resolve. I've enjoyed learning about the culture here."

Livingston, a Traverse City High School graduate, earned his Associate and Bachelor's degrees from Northwood University and graduated from Northwestern Michigan College Police Academy.

He has a wife, Chrys.

Benefits Coordinator Stephanie Howell

LTBB Tribal Citizen Stephanie Howell started working with LTBB in July 2004 in the Human Services Department and has also worked in the Housing Department as the Programs Coordinator.

She currently serves as the Benefits Coordinator within the Human Resources Department where she administers employee benefits.

"This position is a good fit for me because I have always worked well with people of all walks of life; I am a people person," Howell said. "I have been asked if this job is boring because of all of the paperwork involved, but that is only part of the job. This position is definitely not boring. I get to know all of our employees who place a great deal of trust in me and need to know that they can depend on me to assist them whether it be signing up for benefits or knowing where to turn when they have to go on a medical leave.

"I treat people as I want to be treated, and I think that I have a great rapport with our employees. We have a great benefit package for our employees; one of the best I have ever seen, and we are very fortunate.

Howell credits Jody Werner for training her and giving her on the job guidance as Werner previously held the position before her promotion to Human Resources Director.



"We have a great team here in HR and work together on many employee-related functions such as the Circle of Excellence, Employee Ap-



preciation Picnic, etc.," Howell said.

Howell said receiving a 2010 Circle of Excellence award was totally unexpected.

"At first, I wasn't sure how to feel because I see it as just doing my job," Howell said. "I am honored to receive such an award."

After graduating from Petoskey High School, Howell earned her degree from North Central Michigan College. She worked for Northern Michigan Regional Hospital for 14 years prior to working for LTBB.

She lives in Petoskey with her husband, Mallory, and her two daughters, Lauren, 14, and Katie, 9.

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GWEN GASCO
MARY GASCO
REGINA GASCO
SUSAN GASCO
STEPHANIE HOWELL
CHERYL KISHIGO-LESKY
TIA LAPPAN
JOHN NAGANASHE
GAIL NIEDLING
APRIL PEAVEY
RYAN ROBERTS
RANDY SEYMOUR
JODY WERNER

1999 -2009 TEN YEAR EMPLOYEE AWARDS

CHIEF JEFFREY COBE
THERESA CHINGWA
MICHELE KESHICK
ADRIENNE KRAL
SGT. ROGER MARSH
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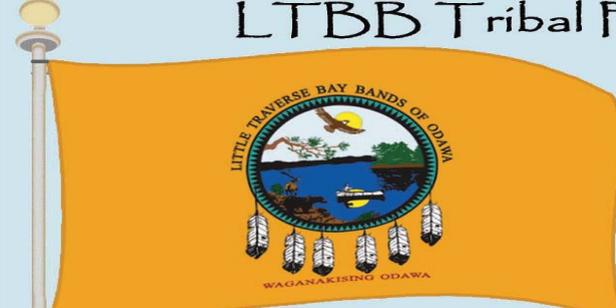
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Lines From our Membership

BIRTHDAYS

Happy belated birthday **Patrick**, to the best husband! With love, Valissa.



Happy belated 4th birthday to **Mskomgizi (Tavien) Lucier**. Mommy loves you to the moon and back again.

Birthday wishes for **Caden Dreaver**, who turns 11 on June 13. Hope you enjoy your special day. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

MnoDibishkaak noshenhak! **Aanzhenii Starr Bigjohn**, shkiniikwe. Miinwaa Waawii'esenhsh **Raven Shomin**, nswe biboonigiza. ChiNi-ibna Gzaaginim! Nokomis Carla.

Happy 14th birthday **Biff**. Love, Uncle Joe.

Happy birthday wishes to **Howard Keshick** on June 20. Have a most enjoyable day & BE GOOD! Love, Aunt Linda, Kacie & Jeff.



Caden, Happy birthday to our son! You make us proud and happy you chose us to be your parents and brother. Love, Mum, Dad and Kayla.

Happy birthday to our daughter, **Kiana Wood**, who turns 14 years old on June 7th. We love you and are very proud of you! XOXO! Mom, Matthew, Jenna, Justine, Shanna and Maangaashkaa!!

Happy 29th birthday to **Jimmy Gasco** whose special day is June 18th!! You are a wonderful husband and father; we hope you have a special day full of surprises!! Gzaaguhn, Gina, Mkoohns and Wedaase.



Happy birthday **Annette** on June 12! Who would have believed "mama's lit-

BIRTHDAYS

"tle baby" would be such an independent person and be so strong-willed! May you have a great day! Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy birthday to my Zigzis **Carol McFall**. Love you, Pauline.

MnoDibishkaak nsy'enhak **Curtis McFall, Sr.** miinwaa nshiiemh **Johnny B McFall**. Aapiji Gzaaginim.

Happy 14th birthday **Alizabeth**. Love, Abigail, Cash, Grandma, Melissa and Yo Momma.



Happy birthday to our "Creeboy" **Caden**! Love, Kokum, Papa, Auntie Heather, Uncle Nigel, Auntie Shay and Maya.

MnoDibishkaan Nzigozis **Carol Jean King-McFall**. Miigwech kina gego ezchichigeyin. Aapiji gzaagin, Carla Jean.

Happy birthday to **Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky**! Love Matthew, Shanna, Jussy, Jenna, Kiana and Maangaashkaa.

Birthday wishes for **Keith Shananaquet, Jonathan Boda, Don Boda, Douglas Boda, Keith Yates, Thomas Hume and Catherine Elizabeth**. From Dorothy and Don Boda.

Dorothy, Patti and Jeff wish **Don and Douglas Boda** a big happy birthday. We love you.

Miigwetch

Greensky Hill Indian Mission Church thanks artist **Dan Clark** for his donation of time and skill in restoring our Jesus painting at the church. His fine artistry and knowledge of resources was a wonderful gift to our church. His art may be viewed at Joseph's World in Petoskey, MI, on U.S. 31 South. His artwork has been featured in the magazine **Concierge** as well. He is a member of LTBB and lives in Pellston, MI, with his wife, Traci.

Miigwetch to everyone who purchased 50/50 raffle tickets and raffle tickets for a LTBB tribal flag and a quilt. The LTBB tribal flag was generously donated by the Tribal Chairman's Office, and the quilt was generously donated by **Yvonne McShane**. Because of your generosity, we raised \$400 with all proceeds going toward the 19th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow to be held August 14 and 15, 2010. From the LTBB Pow Wow Committee.

Anniversaries

Happy anniversary to my wife, **Cheryl**! In the storm of life, you are the lighthouse that guides me home, I love you!

Francis and Gloria Burch celebrate their 50th anniversary on June 18, 2010. Happy anniversary from your kids.

Happy anniversary on June 17th to my husband, **Matthew Lesky**! I am so blessed the Creator brought you to me and our family. I love you more and more everyday!! Cheryl.

Anniversary wishes for **Sue and Roger Yates** (June 5), **Ronda and Chuck Ellis** (June 16) and **Virginia and Ron Schansema** (June 23). From Dorothy and Don Boda.



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Walking On ...

James Howard Tepakeyah, 70 James Howard Tepakeyah walked on April 24, 2010, at Hiland Cottage after a brief battle with cancer. He was born April 7, 1940, to Mary Jane Tepakeyah and Henry James George. He was a free spirit and adventurer who worked in many vocations during his lifetime. He worked at Penn Dixie cement plant, traveled with carnivals, worked in roofing and construction, painted water towers, bulldozing and anything else available where he lived. He loved fishing, hunting and riding his tractor. He loved working on cars with his brother, Carl. The more life he lived, the more side-splitting stories he had to tell family and friends. He was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. He was predeceased by his parents; sisters, Joanne George, Mabel Engle and Margaret Wright; brother, Carl George; and son, Matthew Taylor. Survivors include sisters, Leona (George) Honson of Petoskey, MI, Adeline (Clark) Lyons of Redlands, CA, and Kahtnee Tobiasageshik of Elmira, MI; son Henry "Hank" James Tepakeyah, of Elmira; daughters, Patricia Baker of Alanson, MI, Sonya George-Zotigh of Suttons Bay, MI, Jodie Melgoza of Edinburg, TX; and many cousins, nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

To Honor the Graduates

The Education Department will host a Graduation Celebration for the LTBB tribal community on Friday, August 13, at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Dinner and ceremony begin at 6 p.m.

If you are a graduate or a family member of a graduate and would like to attend, please contact the Education Department at 231-242-1480 to RSVP.

Again, we are hoping all graduates (High School, GED, Vocational, College and Post-graduate) contact us with their graduation information.

Your Memories Wanted!



Your memories can help us share a part of the history of our ancestors. The 1859 St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission Church in Petoskey is being recognized on the Federal Register as a historic site.

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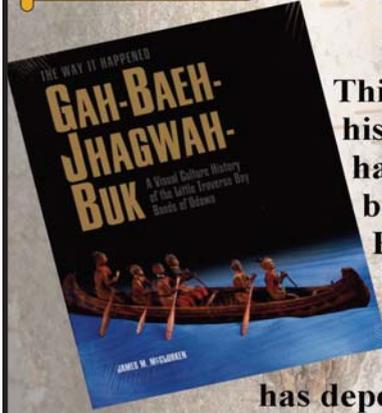
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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) 2010 Tribal Membership (Community) meeting was held on May 1st, 2010 at the Petoskey Middle School in Petoskey, Michigan. The LTBB programs had set up in the gym between the hours of 9 am and 12 pm. This was an excellent time for anyone to learn about what our tribe offers our citizens. If you wanted to obtain an hunting or gathering license, inquire on educational opportunities, learn about the multitude of departments it takes to support our tribe, or even apply for employment at Odawa Casino Resort, this was the place for that.

The Election Board was onsite to take care of registration. One of its duties as assigned in the Constitution is to identify if there is a quorum of registered voters in attendance. If a quorum was established, we could perform official business such as Approve Sales of Tribal Lands, Initiate a Recall of Tribal Council members, the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson, Petition for a special election for Constitutional amendments under Article XVII of our Constitution.

We honored our traditions by performing ceremonies. The Smudging and Pipe Ceremony was performed by Tom Teuthorn with Spirit Lake as our drum. Our Honor Guard consisted of the following flags and carriers. LTBB Community Staff – Richard Wemigwase, U.S. Army, LTBB Veterans Staff – Tony Davis, U.S. Navy, LTBB Tribal Flag – Albert Colby, Jr., U.S. Navy, United States Flag – Margaret Gasco, U.S. Army, Canadian Flag – Matt Davis, U.S. Navy and the MIA Flag – Mike Smith, U.S. Army.

The opening prayer was performed by respected elder, Veronica Medicine.

As General Membership Speaker, Cathy Portman welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked the committee members, Rebecca Atkinson, Michele LaCount and Laura Blumberg. She reviewed the existing rules of conduct, and the citizens were asked for changes; there were none.

Matt Davis, who has trained with Northern Mediation Counseling Services and the GTB peacemaker, talked on Peace Keeping and its purpose and its use in the Anishinabe communities. He stated it is a process where traditional culture and values are applied vs. an adversarial court system. He talked of the importance of talking circles and the involvement of our citizens. He talked of his commitment to bring this to our tribe. His current efforts were the building of a long house for use of our community for healing and teaching. He shared with us photos from this effort. Matt's speech was informative, heartfelt and humorous.

The topic for this meeting was an informational session on Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Constitution – Article 1 Reserved Rights of Tribal Membership with various speakers speaking on certain areas.

Purpose and Directives of Article 1 were addressed by Pat Dyer-Deckrow, Tribal Citizen. She served on Tribal Council during the reaffirmation act and also was a member of the first Constitution committee along with Alice Yellowbank, Albert Colby, Jr., Fred Harrington, Jr. and Donna Budnik.

The Constitution was required for the federal reaffirmation process with the government and this committee examining more than 20 different Constitutions from around the nation. She stated Article 1 is important to every one of us as citizens; it is a system of government which shows the power of the citizens, where the members delegated certain powers to Executive and Legislative branches and where the elected officials are held accountable to us as tribal citizens.

Denise Petoskey, Election Board Chairperson spoke on the Quorum, Special Meetings of the Tribal Membership, Recall and Petition for special elections for amendments. Denise stated currently, we have 1,425 registered voters and a quorum would be 285 registered voters. At

this meeting, we have 110 registered voters present. It is a high threshold to meet. It takes a quorum for official action to be taken, but official action can be initiated here.

A special meeting can be called if there is a petition signed by 20% of the registered voters or a written request from the majority of Tribal Council. The tribal citizens can go to Tribal Council and ask for the Councilors to vote; it would only take five votes of council.

Recall would require 20% of the voters who voted in the last election. There have been notices mailed out for the current recall. 30% of the registered voters need to vote in the recall in order for the recall to be successful.

Annual Meeting, Conduct of Tribal Membership Meeting and Rights to Legal Representation were addressed by Cathy Portman, General Membership Speaker.

The annual meeting as defined by the Constitution is to be held each spring within the boundaries of our reservation and is called by the Executive branch and notice is provided to all adult tribal citizens at least 30 days prior. There were a couple of issues in regards to this that citizen input is needed. The location of the meeting in a public place and outside of our jurisdiction, which leaves the meeting open to the public. In the future, do we want our meeting held in a public location or within our jurisdiction? The definition of call the meeting needs to be defined in regards to who sets the date, is it the citizens or the Executive branch? This weekend was chosen as there were multiple requests it not be held on Mother's Day weekend. But, holding the meeting earlier has created a strain on the Accounting Department. It is advised the date not be pushed up; rather, it should be pushed back.

The Rules of Conduct were defined by the Election Board by input of the Tribal Membership at the first annual meeting. The annual meeting needs to be conducted by these rules. The rules can be revised without a quorum present. It was suggested a committee look at these rules and present a revised version for the membership to vote on for the next meeting. In these rules, it states programs and displays should be available for this meeting, but by doing so, these booths are staffed by tribal citizens who cannot attend the meeting. It was also discussed a committee should be formed at the membership meeting, and this committee would be planning the next meeting.

The Membership by majority vote at which a quorum is present may employ an attorney to represent it when an issue exists as to whether tribal government has functioned conformity with Tribal Law. If the attorney prevails, then the judge could determine the fees should be reimbursed by the government. The key here is we need to employ. We don't have funds for it currently. Do we want to start a bank account and raise funds for this?

The Annual Report was addressed by John Bott, Treasurer for Council and also a member of the Appropriations and Finance Committee, in addition to Councilors Melvin L. Kiogima and Aaron Otto.

The Appropriations and Finance Committee held a public hearing open to citizen input for the 2011 budget. Tribal Council approved this budget on April 11, 2010 and forwarded it to the Executive for signature. John touched on the economic conditions we faced in 2008 and 2009 and that we had to adjust the way the businesses operate to meet the shortfall of funds. John also added due to the Membership Meeting being held a week earlier than in the previous years, the audits are still in process for the tribal government and Odawa Casino Resort. The data contained in this report has been supplied from our auditors, Rehmann Robson and BDO Siedman, and it is accurate to the best of our knowledge.

Question - What is being paid to the Legal Department?

Answer - There is the Executive Legal Department and Tribal Court are separated on page 7 of the Annual Report.

Question - Will the citizens get notified of the completed reports?

Answer - Yes they will, we will have new booklets available upon request.

Question - I have a couple of suggestions for reductions. Tribal Council froze travel and it has been reinstated, that is not saving money. The Chief Justice position is going to be vacant; if we compare to GTB, we are overstaffed. These are just suggestions.

Answer - Each department has been

asked to do everything it can do to reduce budgets.

Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor, provided a report from the Land and Reservation Committee in which he serves on. There are two parts to this report, the first being land. The Tribal Membership approves sales of lands. Our reservation consists of 215,000 acres, we currently have 700 acres in our jurisdiction. The committee is working on obtaining more lands, but with funding limited, it restricts us. We currently are working with the state of Michigan and a private owner on land on Garden Island in which a tribal cemetery is located.

The second part is the reservation, this is the jurisdiction aspects of homeland. We have received a report from Jim McClurken, which currently is a confidential document. We have taken part of this document and are pursuing jurisdiction matters. This will completely rewrite our history. It is a very in-depth document, and we look forward to the day when it can be shared with the community.

The Land and Reservation Committee meetings are open to the tribal citizens, and we welcome your attendance.

Question - What is priority when purchasing property – historical or economic development?

Answer - We had a two-day Land Training session, which was grant funded, and we sent out a survey to 2,600 tribal households; we received about 1,000 back. We use that feedback. We have a matrix and a piece of property in place within this and prioritized into different areas and then, it is taken to Council for approval.

Question - Do we only buy land in the reservation or do we go outside of the area which could be beneficial to the tribe?

Answer - We entertain all property. We have property on Van Road and of course, we have Bell's Fishery, which we are in the process of putting into trust. It is harder to put property in trust outside of our homeland; it needs more justification, but it can be done.

Question - Who is on this committee?

Answer - Melvin L. Kiogima, Regina Gasco-Bentley and Belinda Bardwell. Action can only be taken into effect with Council approval.

Question - Victories is sitting empty and costing us money to maintain, what is the long view and short view of selling it for profit?

Answer - There is a committee in place, and the Executive is looking at options. I doubt we would sell it; if we were, it would come before the citizens.

Question - For economic development, has fanning been looked at? On Sheridan Road, there are raised beds for individuals to plant.

Answer - Interesting you brought that up. We did include farming plots in the training; it didn't carry a high priority, but is on the radar. We did have a discussion on Murray Road and pledged to work with MSU Extension for plots. It is on the radar screen.

The election for the 2011 General Membership Speaker was handled by Election Board Chairperson Denise Petoskey. She took nominations for speaker, which Cathy Portman was nominated, and there was a second. There were no other nominations.

Pat Dyer-Deckrow made a motion to create a citizens subcommittee to make recommendations to Legislative and Executive branches. It was seconded by Yvonne McShane. A show of hands indicated a majority vote in favor.

The subcommittee consists of Pat Dyer-Deckrow, Alice Yellowbank, Sheran Patton, Yvonne McShane and Pat Wemigwase.

A Planning Committee was also formed for the 2011 Tribal Membership Meeting which consists of Richard Wemigwase, Nick Liebgott, Bea Law, Debra Janney, Julie Pego and John Kawegoma.

The luncheon meal prayer was performed in our language by respected elder, Ray Kiogima, with the meal provided by Odawa Casino Resort.

Waganakising Odawa Nation Report was presented by Tribal Chairperson Ken Harrington and Vice Chairperson Dexter McNamara.

They discussed their support of tribal preference and putting tribal citizens in high level positions. There is an Education Director position open, and they would like to see a tribal citizen in that position.

Ambassadorial duties – Ken reported he had been to Washington, D.C. three times; other than that, he has been staying in the state to serve our tribe. While in D.C., he has met with Lobbyist Lydia Holford. We were in the Department of Interior and met important officials. It is not just the meetings; it is the channels to help our tribe to meet the people we need to see. She can set up these appointments for us to meet these people.

Asian Carp – Ken testified before the Senate Subcommittee, the 1-1/2 hour wait left him anxious and upset, but when the time came, he presented a speech prepared by our Natural Resource Department Director Doug Craven and General Counsel Jim Bransky, which was well received. Dexter touched on the seriousness of this issue and the impact.

Dexter touched on the seriousness of the Asian carp and the effects of the invasion, not only dollars, but the impact on recreation, our history, culture and the connection to our lakes and our duty to protect.

The tribe is involved in the Racino issues. There are two petitions that are trying to get 380,000 signers. If passed, this would create seven to 15 new casinos in Michigan.

Ken spoke about being involved with the Intertribal Council; he mentioned he is trying to keep focus in Michigan, but the tribes need to work together.

Ken spoke about overseeing the Commissions, Committees and Boards and that he has oversight over them and the casino. He talked of all the work it takes to serve on these Commissions, Committees and Boards.

Ken also spoke on the sturgeon feast. Each tribe was given a permit, and we picked the part of the season we wanted to use the permit. Tribal citizen Rodney Worthington was the recipient of the permit this year, and we held a feast with his catch.

The Murray Road project is an 80-acre development to be used for housing. It was purchased in the 90's and is finally coming to life. We received a \$2 million grant for this. We got a team together and are going forward with this project. A Native American company is a big part of this construction. It is a LEED building.

Ken sent the 2011 Budget submitted to Council; each department works on its own budget. Albert Colby, Jr., Rebecca (Atkinson) and Ken pulled it together and did the work; they laid it out. There was a lot to learn, direct and indirect funds. The funds coming from the casino can be spent in a easier fashion where indirect is scrutinized on how it is spent.

In regards to Victories, there is a task force for this. They are hoping to utilize the building, it may or may not happen. A lot of this is confidential. The final decision is up to Tribal Council. They are doing an updated feasibility study and shopping for a business to use this property.

Ken has issued two Executive Orders. One being for the firekeepers lodge, which is basically a big dome fire pit at the east end of the governmental building. We will be able to have ceremonial fires there.

The second being the Veterans Memorial workgroup which is a workgroup set up to honor LTBB veterans. There are weekly meetings at the tribal governmental building, and they are open. If you are interested, give the Executive Office a call.

Ken reported cost-saving measures such as moving the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department, which was renting a building, to the Health Park, saving the tribe \$30,000 a year. He is working on a cell phone policy to stop the abuse; this expense is approximately \$8,000 a month. He has altered the snow day policy for the government employees; if they are unable to make it into work due to snow, they will have to take a PTO day. Dexter is also working on maximizing storage spaces by having lofts built.

We have the Renewable Energy project where we have a small \$80,000 grant. We are looking into biodiesel fuel and wind monitors. Hopefully, we can produce our own energy.

Question - I heard it takes 20 years for one of these units to pay for itself, is that true?

Answer - It depends on the unit, smaller units have longer payback which are not really feasible. Larger ones have less than 10 years payback, it depends on financing and interest.

Question - I would like to know why there are no representatives from the casino here because they have been here in

the past? They are a part of our tribe.

Answer - We did have representatives from Human Resources, hiring and taking job applications. Cathy (Portman) was the elected speaker, she creates the agenda; if someone wants something on the agenda for next year, then get with the speaker.

Question - The cost-saving measure on the cell phones for employees. can you expand on this?

Answer - We have about 160 employees, I don't know how many have cell phones, but we are going to have a policy and expect people to stick to it. If there are overages, they will have to pay for it.

Question - The Education Director, did she quit or get fired?

Answer - No, she put in her notice two weeks ago; she is working for civil rights in Michigan.

Question - The Auditor position open, is it for the government or casino?

Answer - The casino is a different department. I don't have anything to do with the hiring there.

Question - Who is running the casino right now? There is no GM, no HR Director, no Finance Director and with the article in the newspaper, about the so-called charges against our Gaming Board of Directors, when it that going to stop? It is embarrassing our tribe. What about our bond negotiations?

Answer - The press I have no control over. The GM hiring process is done through the Gaming Board; it has selected a GM, and it was put on hold because of the finance negotiations, but we should have a GM in place this month. The HR Director position has been filled, and we will see the person here within two weeks.

Who is running it? LOC is working it with the three remaining directors. When GM quits, terminated or out ill, they immediately implemented a plan. Were there problems? They called us, and we came to help. The casino is still profitable and still in a forbearance agreement. This is something the new administration and Council is working out.

Question - The housing on Murray Road, has there been stipulations or regulations for occupants of the housing made, will it be income based? Have they already been written or when will it be done?

Answer - We are trying to make it affordable housing, we don't want it to be subsidized. We are close, and it should be hammered out this month. We are taking applications.

Question - Has there been any movement on the bill introduced about removing the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver? It is interesting to know the colleges do not foot this bill. It is appropriated to them. The other point is, I am staying at the hotel and I take a lot of pride in it, but it could use a coat of paint and the hallways where the carts bang into them could use some work.

Answer - This is another ongoing battle; it is being handled on a case by case basis by Allie Maldonado. It is now threatened by the financial crisis the state is in; state reimburses the colleges.

Question - Is the Murray Road housing going to have basements or garages?

Answer - No, the housing development in Harbor Springs, there is a home with a garage.

Question - In cutting the budget, are you cutting the Michelle Chingwa scholarship fund?

Answer - No, if there are not any funds, then we will ask Council for funds.

Question - We voted for you because of change, I don't know what cuts have been made. What is the plan for cuts in the departments?

Answer - One of the plans is a wage grid study to see if we are in line of where we should be. Change, I think this administration is different, my time is spent home being available for Commissions, Committees and Boards, the departments and staff. Change hasn't been overnight, I'm doing the best I can.

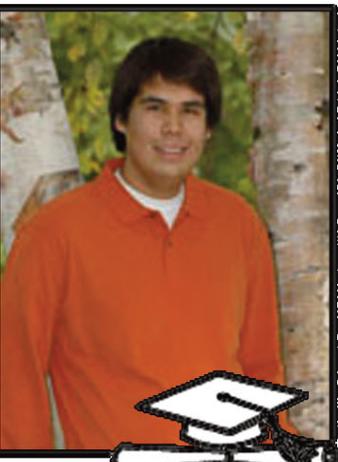
Question for Dexter - I have an interest in the Asian Carp, what can we do as citizens, do we need petitions?

Answer (Dexter) - Mike Cox is doing a slide presentation, and they have petitions. Keep up on it yourself. If there are meetings, go to them. We have started a Subcommittee with General Council and plan on attending a meeting May 13th and will give them our thoughts.

Editor's note: This is the majority of the minutes from the 2010 Tribal Membership Meeting. The rest of the minutes will appear in the July 2010 newsletter.



Clint Boulton is graduating from Petoskey High School on June 6, 2010. He will be attending Kendall Art and Design this fall. Clint's parents are Pauline (Zerbe) Boulton and Clint Boulton. We are proud and thankful to have him in our family.
Love,
Nokomis.



CONGRATULATIONS to our son, Francisco Ray Pesino, graduating from Eastern High School in Lansing, MI. We are so proud of you son. Francisco "Frankie" plans on continuing his education by attending Lansing Community College in the Accounting field. Keep up the good work Frankie, we love you. Open house will be held in Lansing on June 13, 2010 for family and friends to attend. Love you very much from all of us:



Congratulations Chandler Kiogima!! Your family is very proud of you! Valedictorian at Alanson High School! Prom Queen! New Job! On your way to college in the fall. Career path set. WOW, what can we say? National Honor Society member, Student Council member and Student Broadcast Editor. We have been very proud of you all along. You are a maturing loving young woman. We will always be here for you. Love, Mom (Deborah) and Robert Stanley & Dad (Willis) and Beverly Kiogima.

Raymond Shenoskey is graduating from Charlevoix High School on June 6, 2010. He will be attending Central Michigan University this fall. Raymond's parents are Dawn (Zerbe) Shenoskey and Raymond Shenoskey. We are all proud and happy to have him in our family. Love,
Nokomis.



Jerry and Sandy Shananaquet of Redford, MI, would like you to join them in congratulating their son, Mike Still, on a terrific job! Mike is a senior with honors at Novi Catholic Central High School. He is heading to Eastern Michigan University in the fall on an academic full-ride scholarship. Way to go Mike! Mom and Dad are proud of you, and we love you!



Mom and Dad (Dawn and Frank Pesino); Great Grandma (Theresa Yoder); Grandma (Debra Smithkey-Browne); Uncle Roy, Aunt Monica Smithkey, Aunt Kathy and Uncle Tom Stilwell; your Aunts, Brenda Bailey and Sandra Yoder; your Uncle Truman "Bud" Yoder and your many nieces, nephews and cousins. "Way to go Frankie Ray."

Shtaa taa haa, Congratulations to graduating high school senior Justin McFall. Excellent job, your whole family is proud of your achievement. Aapiji kiinagajitoon. Gzaagigo.

Congratulations, ndaanis! Cassandra Rosemarie Gibson, 2010 graduate of Petoskey High School. Aapiji Gzaagigo, Dad & Mom.

Since he first got his hands on a ball, Harbor Springs senior Matt Matteson has excelled at sports. Matt played four years of basketball for the Rams. He also played a year of football. He took a swat at tennis, playing three years on varsity for the Rams, and advanced two of those years to the state finals. Matt will attend Ferris State University in the fall studying Tennis Management. Matt's parents are Andrea Matteson and Chuck Matteson, and he has a younger brother, Jack. His grandparents are Marylou Bowers and Rick and Mick Matteson.



Eva M. Oldman graduated with honors from Kalamazoo Valley Community College with an Associates degree in Graphic Design on December 20, 2009 and an Associates degree in Web Design on May 2, 2010. She is the daughter of Steven Oldman, Sr. and the late Shirley Naganashe-Oldman. Best wishes for the future. Love, all of your aunts and uncles.



Jessica Rivard is graduating Cum Laude from Macomb Dakota High School and is a member of the National Honor Society (NHS). She has been a NHS and Junior NHS member since the sixth grade. She will be attending Michigan State University (Lyman Briggs College) and studying pre-med. Her parents are Ray and Cynthia (Laughlin) Rivard.

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Kristin Harrington will graduate June 6, 2010 from Petoskey High School. She is the daughter of Tim Harrington. Kristin will further her education with two years at North Central Michigan College in the Nursing field. She will then transfer to Lake Superior State University to become a registered nurse.

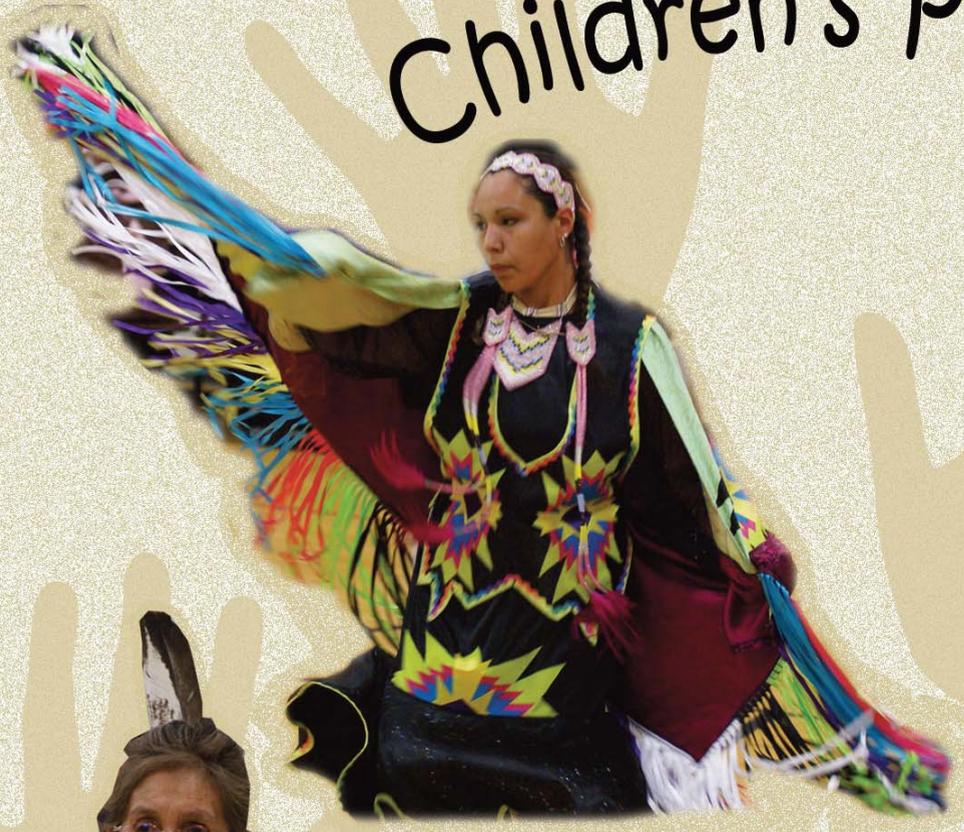
Congratulations to my cousin, Roxanne Ross (Mary Baldwin's granddaughter), for completing her medical degree in Nursing. Greens would be proud of you! Much love cuz - You Rock! Rosemary.

Sandi M. Wemigwase is graduating from the College of Education at California State University, Long Beach, CA. Commencement was May 27, 2010. She was on the Dean's list twice, earning at least a 3.5 GPA. She was on the President's list for five semesters, earning at least a 3.75 GPA or higher. Major is Liberal Studies. She is earning a Bachelor of Arts degree. She is planning on pursuing her Master's degree in Education in the fall of 2010. Cal State Long Beach is Southern California's top teaching school. It was founded in 1949.

17th Annual Children's Pow Wow



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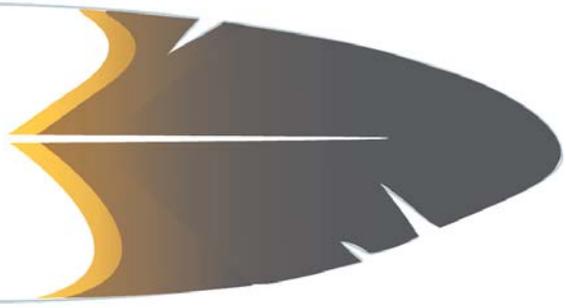
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Sunday	(Name-Gizhigat)	1	Tribal Council meeting Tribal Courthouse LTBB Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI 9 am
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Tuesday	(Nizho-Gizhigat)	3	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tae Kwon Do Classes Beginner 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Advanced 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
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Sunday	(Name-Gizhigat)	8	Appropriations and Finance Committee meeting 9 am - noon Tribal Council Special Meeting 1:30 pm - 4 pm Tribal Council Work Session 4 pm - 5 pm
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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN A POETRY CONTEST WINNER

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BOXING CLUB UPDATE



Submitted by **Ellie Payton**, LTBB Tribal Citizen

LTBB Tribal Citizens Jeannie Norris and Claus Nowell represented the Little Traverse Bay Boxing Club at Jab's Boxing Club Show on April 24, 2010 in Lansing, MI.

Norris only had a few minutes to get nervous about her first time in the ring as her bout was the first of the show.

"I'm excited because I made it all three rounds!" Norris said right after her match. "I am thankful for my coaches who believed in me!"

Coaches Dr. Terry Samuels and Brad Houle had barely enough time to finish congratulating Norris when the third bout came up featuring Nowell, 15, who weighed in at 238 pounds. Nowell had a little more experience in the ring with a 1-3 record over the last year. This time, he faced an opponent of the same age and approximate height, but weighing in at 250 pounds. His match was short and

sweet with both boxers throwing a fairly equal number of punches in the first 56 seconds. Then, after a 15-second break to retrieve a dislodged mouth guard, both boxers came back with a second wind. In 23 seconds, Nowell knocked out his opponent with a classic 1-2-3 left jab, right undercut followed by a solid left hook.

You could hear the audience gasp, then "Oooh!" and "Aaah" when Nowell's opponent hit the floor. The attending physician helped the boy up, and Nowell was declared the winner due to referee stoppage.

Eight supporters from the Little Traverse Bay area, including Nowell's mom and dad, and the two coaches from Little Traverse Bay Boxing attended the fights and recorded the action for future analysis. The club gathered as usual at Monday night practice on April 26, 2010 and reviewed the match videos. All were impressed with the performances.

Coach Houle said, "Jeannie did a wonderful job for her first fight. She went the full distance and we're all very proud to have her as a boxer down in the gym."

Of Norris' match, Coach Samuels said, "It was a three-round war. The decision could have gone either way. I'm extremely proud of both fighters."

Coach Houle recalled when Nowell first came into the gym, he didn't even know how to hold his hands.



"Now, he's knocking guys out in the first round," Houle said. "We're very proud of him."

Coach Samuels added, "Claus put it all together. His hard work and dedication paid off."

Norris said of her teammate, "Claus rocked!"

Nowell chimed in, "Boxing is fun. Everyone should join."

Little Traverse Bay Boxing Club supporter Kathy McGraw said it was well worth the drive to Lansing to watch the bouts.

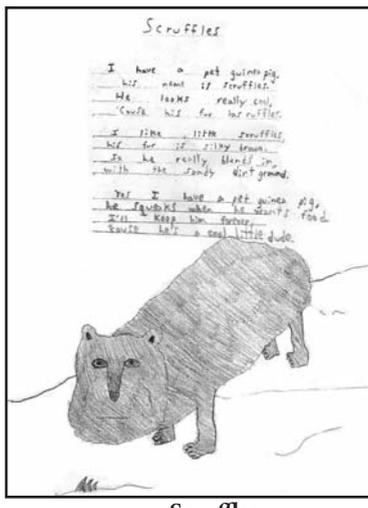
"Jeannie showed guts and determination in her bout, and Claus' ultimate knockout was unlike anything I had ever seen before," McGraw said. "Best of luck to Claus at the Junior Olympics."

Nowell competed at the Junior Olympics held May 15-16, 2010. Due to deadline constraints, information about his Junior Olympics competition will appear in the July issue of *Odawa Trails*.



LTBB Tribal Citizen Jacob Young was one of several Shay Elementary School students who recently took part in a poetry contest. Young, a fourth-grader, was selected as a winner from approximately 150 entries. He read his poem titled, "Scruffles," at the Harbor Springs Public Schools Board of Education meeting on April 19, 2010. He is the son of Gary and Debbie Young.

Courtesy photo.



Scruffles
by Jacob Young

I have a pet guinea pig, his name is Scruffles. He looks really cool, 'cause his fur has ruffles. I like little Scruffles, his fur is silky brown. So he really blends in, with the sandy dirt ground. Yes I have a pet guinea pig, he squeaks when he wants food. I'll keep him forever, 'cause he's a cool little dude.

Send us your questions and/or pictures by e-mail!
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LTBB Tribal Community Rallies in Support of a Vision, Builds Teaching Longhouse



Submitted by Lou "Angel" Bernard

Thirteen years ago, Matt Davis, LTBB Tribal Citizen and veteran, had a vision of a teaching longhouse in our LTBB tribal community.

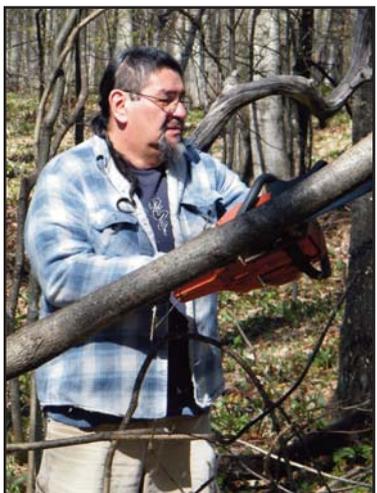
This vision showed the teaching lodge to be a gathering place for the people where ceremonies, naming, talking circles, teaching and healing ceremonies would take place. Thanks to enthusiastic community support from many people, Davis saw this vision come to fruition in late April

2010. In February 2010, Davis offered semaa to the women's hand drum group and asked for its support to help make this lodge a reality. The women organized bake sales, a pancake breakfast and a fish lunch.

Funds were raised to buy the tarps and supplies. The community provided opportunities to enjoy companionship of other tribal citizens while eating good food in support of this community vision.

On the morning of April 22, 2010, a crew of men went out to a special place provided by Deleta Gasco Smith and Christina Maria to cut the maple saplings. Semaa was offered and then, the crew went to work. They carefully chose the saplings, cut, then trimmed and loaded them into the big truck. The crew took the saplings to the Osborne Road site and dropped them off.

Again, semaa was laid down, and construction began on the morning of April 23, 2010 and continued on through April 24,



2010. Many supporters came and lent a hand, making this a real community effort. The Seven Grandfathers were present in the attitudes and actions of all the volunteers who made this community lodge. While the adults worked diligently, the children helped



and played. It reminded me of what a Lakota friend and elder, Robert Cross, always said, "We are living in our children's past."

At daybreak on the morning of April 25, 2010, the lodge was used for the first time. The pipe carriers loaded their powagans, and the people spoke and participated in the first giveaway and feast. Four days of ceremony were complete. This is the beginning of the Community Teaching & Healing Lodge serving the people.

One of the volunteers found this quote a number of years ago and feels this best sums-up what Davis and the crew were a part of accomplishing.

"I think the Spirit, is the one thing we have to rely on. It has been handed to us as a live and precious coal. And each generation has to make that decision whether they want to blow on that coal to keep it alive or throw it away... Our language, our histories and culture are like a big ceremonial fire that's been kicked and stomped and scattered... Out in the darkness, we can see those coals glowing. But our generation, whether in tribal government or wherever we find ourselves -- Choctaw, Cherokee, Chickasaw, Creek, Seminole -- are coal gatherers. We bring



the coals back, assemble them and breathe on them again, so we can spark a flame around which we might warm ourselves." Gary White Deer, Chickasaw 1994.

Miigwetch to Davis and the other "coal gatherers" for thinking ahead toward seven generations of the people.



Local Chef Team from Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, Wins Top Honors

Editor's note: The following is a Challenge Mountain press release dated April 28, 2010.

Saturday, April 24, 2010, marked the 3rd Annual Chefs Challenge benefitting Challenge Mountain. The event was held at Boyne Mountain with several distinct attractions. Those attractions included vendors, seminars by experts throughout the state of Michigan on various food and beverage related topics, a Tasting Event and resulting in a Cook-Off between the top two teams while attendees dined on a fabulous four course meal prepared by Chad King, Boyne Mountain Sous Chef.

Boasting the finest culinary teams in the state, wineries, micro-brewers and distilleries, the competition is quickly becoming a favorite event of people throughout the state. Attendees came from as far north as Drummond Island and as far south as Detroit. Agriculture producers included King Orchards, Friske Orchards and Couveyou Scenic Farms. Other vendors included Woodsong Soaps, Mrs. Morrison's Pantry & Art, Arnott's Pure Honey, Alfie's Attic, Alpha Group, Edible Grande Traverse, Farm Bureau Insurance, Feed Me Heartfully Art, Great Lakes Tea and Spice Company, Mike Seiler, Odawa Casino Resort, Jordan Valley Bison and Out of the Woods Maple Products.

Fascinating seminars were provided by Michelle Bommarito, Grant Woods, Chef Angus Campbell, Ruth Mossok Johnston, Timothy Fitzgerald Young, Ed Brehm, John Leonardo and Rafino Valentine.

Six celebrity judges including Chef Michelle Bommarito, Chef Hermann Suhs, Ruth Mossok Johnston, Barb Tholin, Chef Angus Campbell and Chef Rob Haney chose the ultimate winning team of

this year's event.

Top honors went to the Odawa Casino Resort team. Team members included for the Tasting event: Chef Rob Sargent, Chef Roger Cooley, Chef Thomas Vachon and Todd Makela. For the Iron Chef Competition, the team included Chef Rob Sargent, Chef Roger Cooley, Chef Thomas Vachon and Mike Bodjiak, Odawa Casino Resort's Director of Hospitality. Huge congratulations to the team for Winning Best in the State.

According to Chef Rob Sargent, "It was a privilege and an honor to represent Odawa Casino Resort in the Chefs Challenge to benefit such a great cause as Challenge Mountain. On behalf of myself and my teammates, Roger Cooley, Tom Vachon, Todd Makela and Mike Bodjiak, we would like to extend a huge thank you to all the participating teams for promoting the bountiful products that the state of Michigan has to offer."

Other Chef Teams included Big Buck Brewery and Steakhouse, Gaylord; Boyne Highlands Resort, Harbor Springs; Grand Affairs, Charlevoix; Jordan Inn, East Jordan; Magnum Hospitality - Red Mesa Grill, Boyne City; Northern Michigan University, Marquette; The Inn at Bay Harbor, Bay Harbor; Lake Michigan College, Benton Harbor; Sweet and Savory Caterers, Livonia; St. Mary's Health Care, Grand Rapids; and the Art Institute of Michigan, Novi.

Wineries included were Bel Lago Vineyard and Winery, Black Star Farms, Chateau Fontaine Vineyards and Winery, Mackinaw Trail Winery and Pleasantview Vineyards and Winery. Micro-brewers were Arcadia Ales, B. Nektar Meadery, Big Buck Brewery, Motor City Brewing Company, Mount Pleasant Brewing Company, North Peak Brewery, Right Brain Brewery and Shorts

Brewing Company. Distilleries were Black Star Farms, Grand Traverse Distillery and Valentine Distilling Company.

Entertainment for the weekend was plentiful, starting with A+ Digital DJ's for Friday night's Meet and Greet, Mike Seiler for the Tasting event and Rock 'N Country Saturday evening at the Snowflake Lounge at Boyne Mountain.

Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm provided a video in support of the event and all it does for Michigan as well as State Senator Jason Allen who made a surprise appearance.

The event raised more than \$24,000 for Challenge Mountain programs. Sue Moody, Executive Director stated, "We are so very thankful to the people who sponsored the event including Farm Bureau Insurance, Boyne Mountain, eChamber Connect, 9&10 News, Edible Grande Traverse and Pioneer Sugar down to the people who attended the event. It was amazing to have so much of Michigan represented in such a fine way. We would like to congratulate all the groups who attended and especially Odawa Casino Resort on its big win. Springtime is a special time in Michigan, and we are proud to be part of a great way to celebrate all the season has to offer. We have so many people to thank for their support, but a special thank you goes to Chef Chris Kibit, Michelle Bommarito, Chris Woodruff, Becky Harris, Beth Breidenstein, Julie Ard, Jessica White, Steven Scribner, Erin Ernst, Chef Jeff Minkwic, Sous Chef Chad King and Scott McKenzie for their tireless efforts to make this event happen."

Planning has already begun for next year's event, please plan to attend. Come see the finest Chef Teams around, such as this year's winner, Odawa Casino and Resort, compete once again.

"New Employees" continued from page 3.

I reside in Indian River, MI, with my three children, Alizabeth, 13, Abigail, 6, Cash, 2, and my significant other, Beau. We also have a puppy, kitten and turtle as part of our family. We plan to relocate to the Petoskey area over the summer to be closer to employment and to get the children in a bigger school.

In my free time, which there isn't much of ... I enjoy sewing, golfing, volleyball, bowling, crossword and jigsaw puzzles, walking, reading a good book or catching a movie with my family.

Employee Updates: LTBB Tribal Citizen Mike McCreery returned to LTBB on May 3, 2010 as a Conservation Officer in the Natural Resource Department. He previously worked as a Conservation Officer.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Bill Denemy, Sr. started as the Cultural Resource Advisor in the Adult Healing to Wellness Court program in the Tribal Court on April 1, 2010. It is a grant-funded, part-time position.

Denemy Sr. said, "Our goal is to include Native culture in our drug court to promote wellness and healing for Native people involved in sub-

stance abuse." He previously served LTBB as the Vice Chairman.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Margaret Gasco started as the Language Assistant on April 19, 2010. She previously worked as the Assistant in the Housing Department.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Debra Janney returned to LTBB on March 1, 2010 as the Assistant in the Accounting Department and then started her current position of Enterprise Bookkeeper in the department on April 26, 2010. She previously worked in the department as a Clerk.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Kristy Dayson started as the Youth Services Coordinator on March 1, 2010. She was previously the Assistant in the Human Resources Department and the PEACE Coordinator.

Carrie Carlson started as the Senior Staff Accountant/Grants Compliance in the Accounting Department on March 1, 2010. She previously worked as the Enterprise Accountant in the department.

The photos of Ronda Ellis and Wendy Congdon are by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar. The photo of Chrystal VanAlstine appears courtesy of Chrystal VanAlstine.

NSLF Receives U.S. Department of Treasury Award

Submitted by Lisa McComb, Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Executive Director

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. was one of only 45 Native Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) to receive funding in the 2010 round of the Native American CDFI Assistance (NACA) CDFI program as announced by the U.S. Department of Treasury's CDFI Fund Director Donna J. Gambrell on April 30, 2010.

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. (NSLF) is the recipient of \$149,599 in Technical Assistance (TA) funding and is the ONLY Native CDFI in Michigan receiving funding through this program in 2010.

"This is an honor and reaffirms that our mission to assist local entrepreneurs with developmental and lending services is filling a critical need throughout Northern Michigan," NSLF Executive Director Lisa McComb said.

Since opening its doors in 2008, NSLF has assisted more than 80 en-

trepreneurs with developmental and lending services. Loan funding ranges from \$500 to \$15,000 for needs such as working capital, inventory and equipment purchases as well as start-up expenses. Technical assistance is in the form of financial education, credit counseling, marketing development and business plan enhancement.

"Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. has become the missing link for entrepreneurs in Northern Michigan by successfully assisting with job creation and retention efforts as well as new business development and growth," NSLF Board of Directors Chair Laura Blumberg said.

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) microenterprise lender incorporated under the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians in 2007, whose investment area includes the Northern Michigan counties of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Grand Traverse and Kalkaska.

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UPCOMING DEADLINES FOR THE MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP

JUNE 15TH
Documentation for Summer 2010

AUGUST 1ST
Merit Scholarship Application for Grade Reports in the 2009-2010 Academic Year



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT MELISSA COLBY AT 231-242-1492

ATTENTION STUDENTS!!

YOU NEED TO SUBMIT NEW APPLICATIONS FOR THE MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE 2010-2011 ACADEMIC YEAR THAT STARTS ON AUGUST 1, 2010

****Please Note****
Applications WILL NOT be automatically mailed to students



Applications are available online and can be downloaded from the Education Department's web-page at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or may be requested from the Higher Education office at 231-242-1492

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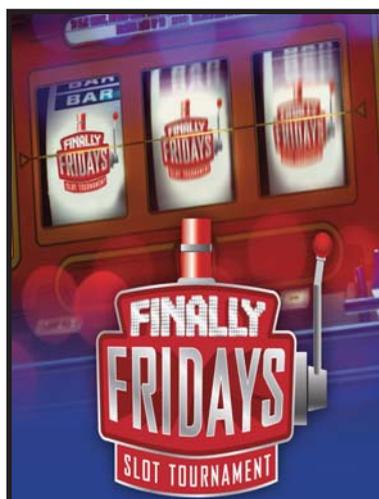


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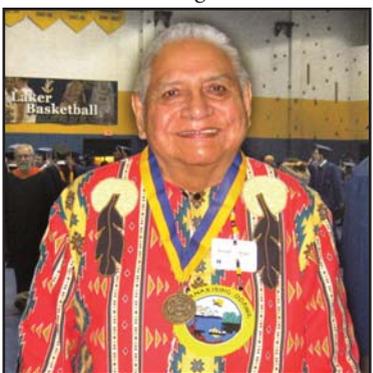
Guests must present their active military ID at check-in to receive special rate. This offer is valid through December 30, 2010.

Native News Briefs

LTBB Tribal Citizen Inducted into Golden Graduate Society at LSSU

LTBB Tribal Citizen Joe Kishego participated in Lake Superior State University's 2010 Commencement ceremony on May 1, 2010 as a Golden Grad.

Kishego, who earned a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering from LSSU, was one of the Golden Grads selected to participate in the commencement ceremony. Each year, the LSSU Alumni Association invites former students who attended the "Sault Branch" at least 50 years ago, in 1960 or earlier, to return to campus. These alumni are inducted into the Golden Graduate Society and lead the processional of graduates at commencement. Each year, the next class is added to the roster of invitees. The honored class and those attending the reunion for



the first time are presented with a commemorative medallion which features the official LSSU seal and the words "Sault Branch" as a remembrance of this significant personal anniversary. Because there are no true graduating classes from those early days, "graduation" year is defined as the last year enrolled at the Sault campus.

The photo of Joe Kishego appears courtesy of LSSU Director of Alumni Relations Susan Fitzpatrick.

Handbags of Hope Makes Mother's Day Delivery

The Handbags of Hope project enriches the lives of women in Michigan homeless shelters and safe homes by providing them with handbags containing essential every-



day items. Volunteers of Handbags of Hope make trips twice a year, one around Mother's Day and one around Christmas, to deliver the handbags to shelters, safe homes and organizations across Michigan.

On December 16, 2009, Jackie Bobcean and Mary Penokie of Handbags of Hope delivered eight large boxes full of handbags and a large beach bag containing various bath products to Substance Abuse Director Dr. Cheryl Samuels at the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI. The handbags were delivered to young women and women at the local homeless shelter, at the local safe house and to clients of the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department.

On May 6, 2010, Bobcean and a volunteer delivered 35 handbags and 17 teen handbags to Odawa Casino Resort Community Development Manager Martin VanDeCar, who accepted them on behalf of Dr. Samuels, at the LTBB Health Park.

For more information on Handbags of Hope, you can visit the group's website at www.handbags-ofhope09.com.

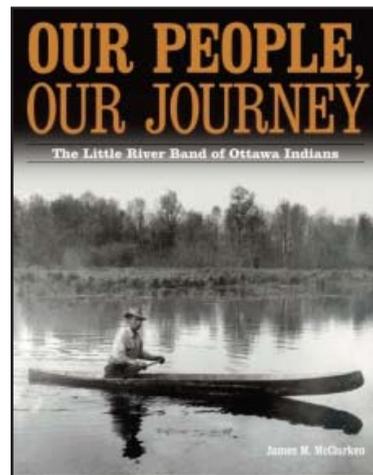
Pictured from left to right in the photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar are Jackie Bobcean, Odawa Casino Resort Community Development Manager Martin VanDeCar and LTBB Health Park Facilities Worker Billy McNamara.

Our People, Our Journey Named 2010 Michigan Notable Book

The Michigan Notable Books program annually selects 20 of the most notable books published in the year. The selections are reflective of Michigan's diverse ethnic, historical, literary and cultural experience. The program selected *Our People, Our Journey* by James M. McClurken as a 2010 Michigan Notable Book.

It is a history of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, published by the Michigan State University Press.

The following product descrip-



tion of the book appears on the Michigan Department of Education website: "Utilizing compelling photographs of the families that constitute it, this important and well-researched history of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians traces the tribe's migration into Michigan's

Grand River Valley, its later settlement on reservations in Mason, Muskegon and Oceana counties, the difficult relationship between the tribe and the U.S. government and successful efforts to maintain the tribe's unique cultural identity through the present day."

McClurken is also the author of *Gah-Baeh Jhagwak-Buk* (The Way It Happened): The Visual History of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa.

Courtesy graphic.

United States Social Forum

The United States Social Forum (USSF) will be held June,



2010 in Detroit, MI. The Native American people from across the United States and Canada will come together in solidarity to address some of our concerns through workshops, ceremony, earth walks and social gathering. The USSF will provide a space to unite thousands to raise awareness about social justice, to share tactics that create social change and to create common solutions. The USSF is a movement building process. It is not a conference, but it is a space to come up with the peoples' solutions to the economic and ecological crisis. It has 14 major program tracks.

For more information on the United States Social Forum, please

visit www.ussf2010.org.

Courtesy flyer.

Online Booking Service Now Available at Odawa Hotel

You may now book a room at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI, online. Use the following link to book a room:

www.odawacasino.com/content/view/full/495/127/.

Arizona State University Settles with Havasupai Indians in Blood Samples Lawsuit

In 1989, some members of the Havasupai Indians in Supai, AZ, gave blood to researchers from Arizona State University thinking the researchers would only use the samples in a diabetes study to help the tribe curb its high diabetes rate. However, the samples were also used in research on several other things, including mental illness.

The geneticist responsible for the research has said she had obtained permission for wider-ranging genetic studies, but the tribal members, who filed the lawsuit, said they never would have allowed their blood to be collected had they known it would be used in such culturally inappropriate ways.

On April 21, 2010, Arizona State University settled the lawsuit, agreeing to pay \$700,000 to 41 of the tribe's members, return the blood samples and provide other forms of assistance to the tribe.

The settlement was significant because it implied the rights of research subjects can be violated when they are not fully informed about how their DNA might be used.

The case raised the question of whether scientists had taken advantage of a vulnerable population, and it created an image problem for a university eager to cast itself as a center for American Indian studies.

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